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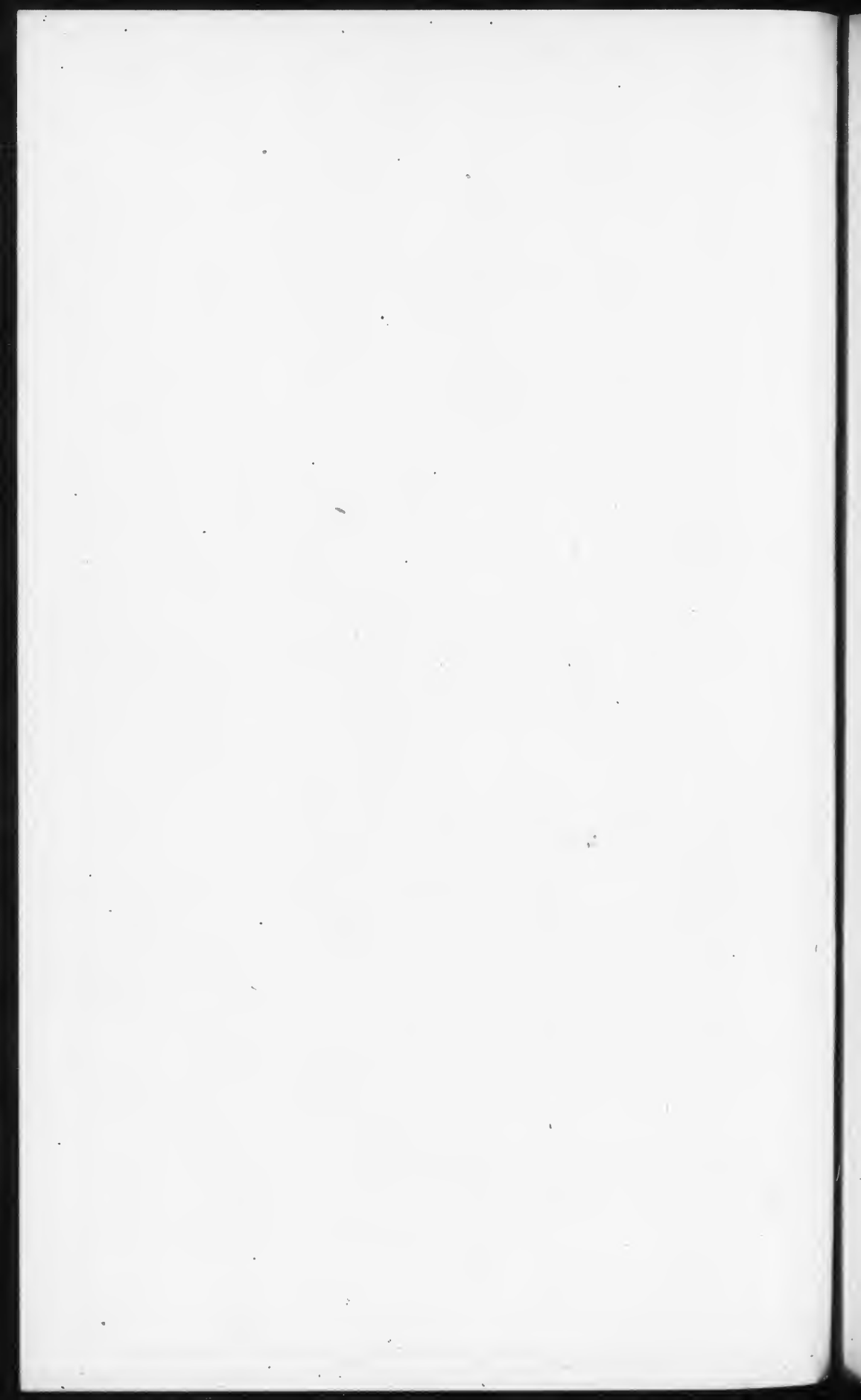
Iowa Annual Conference,

—OF THE—

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH,

HELD AT

Burlington, September 3d-10th. 1879.



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MISCELLANEOUS APPOINTMENTS.

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J. E. Corley, J. W. Cheney, D. A. Watters.

FOR LOCAL DEACONS AND ELDERS ORDERS.

C. H. Montgomery, W. I. Miller, J. C. Kendrick.

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I. IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

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First Class. (1876-80)—J. W. McDonald, J. B. Blakeney, W. G. Wilson, B. Mark, J. T. Hackworth, J. H. Bonefield.

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Third Class. (1878-82)—Geo. N. Power, I. P. Teter, John Wheeler, M. M. Walden, Geo. Haw, A. M. Antrobus.

Fourth Class. (1879-83)—W. F. Cowles, W. A. Work, Charles Snider, J. T. Simmons, Mrs. M. Huston, H. Ambler.

VISITORS.

To Iowa Wesleyan University.—L. O. Housel, S. S. Murphy, H. E. Wing, H. L. Dashiell, C. A. Lisle, R. A. Carnine.

To Garrett Biblical Institute.—J. C. W. Cox, Geo. W. Byrkit.

V. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1.—Have any entered the Conference by transfer or re-admission?

Simon McChesney. Transferred 1.

QUESTION 2.—Who are admitted on trial?

H. E. Wycoff, H. H. Barton, Frank R. Holcomb, W. E. Howe, E. S. Daly, S. C. Smith and A. H. Dunlavy.

QUESTION 3.—Who are on trial?

Patrick H. Bodkin, Samuel F. Bishop, Geo. W. Story, O. G. McFadden, Levi M. Hartley.—5.

QUESTION 4.—Who are admitted into full connection?

James F. Robertson, Coleson D. Fawcett, Sebern S. Martin, Joseph A. Cook.—4.

QUESTION 5.—Who are the Deacons of the first class?

James F. Robertson, Eugene S. Daly, Coleson D. Fawcett, Harry H. Barton, Samuel C. Smith.—5

QUESTION 6.—Who are the Deacons of the second class?

There are none.

QUESTION 7.—Who have been elected and ordained Elders?

Jacob H. Hard.—1.

QUESTION 8.—Who are the Supernumary Preachers?

William Poston, E. H. Waring, Geo. H. Clark, J. S. Ferguson, J. P. Rice, Joseph Gassner, J. M. Coats.—7.

QUESTION 9.—Who are the Superannuated Preachers?

John Burgess, John Harris, John Hayden, James Haynes, B. Holland, A. W. Johnson, T. M. Kirkpatrick, J. H. McCutchen, Joseph McDowell, R. S. Robinson, H. Runyon, A. W. Stryker, L. C. Woodford, E. W. Twining, S. Hestwood, R. B. Allender.—16.

QUESTION 10.—Was the character of each preacher examined?

This was strictly attended to in the usual form.

QUESTION 11.—Have any located?

None.

QUESTION 12.—Have any withdrawn?

J. C. Brown.—1.

QUESTION 13.—Have any been transferred and to what conference?

W. I. Graham, Kansas Conference.

QUESTION 14.—Have any been expelled?

None.

QUESTION 15.—Have any died?

None.

QUESTION 16.—What is the Statistical Report?

Membership: Probationers, 1001; full members, 19,461; local preachers 135. Total, 20,697. Total last year, 21,368. Decrease 671. For particulars see tables.

QUESTION 17. What are the claims upon the Conference Funds?

Of Superannuates, \$3,800; of Widows and Orphans, \$3,700. Total, \$7,500.

QUESTION 18.—What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?

Received from Chartered Fund, \$30,00; from collections, \$1,051.46. Total, \$1,081.46. For details see Steward's Report.

QUESTION 19.—Where are the preachers stationed?

See Appointments.

QUESTION 20.—Where and when shall the next Conference be held?

At Centerville, time not given.

QUESTION 21.—Have any local preachers been ordained?

Deacons Eugene S. Daly, Harry H. Barton, Samuel C. Smith.—3.

QUESTION 22. Are any of our Literary or Theological Institutions under the control and patronage of the Conference; and what is their condition? Iowa Wesleyan University. See report of Trustees and Committee on Education.

QUESTION 23.—Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?

See List of Officers and Managers of Conference Societies.

VI. JOURNAL OF THE CONFERENCE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE IOWA
ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST
EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

FIRST DAY.

BURLINGTON, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 3d, 1879.

The Iowa Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church commenced its Thirty-sixth session in Division Street Church, in Burlington, Iowa, September 3d, 1879, Bishop W. L. Harris, D. D., LL. D., in the chair.

The session was opened at 9 A. M. with devotional exercises and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The Secretary of the former session called the roll of the conference, and the following members answered to their names, viz: R. B. Allender, M. Bamford, J. G. Barton, D. C. Bevan, J. B. Blakeney, I. A. Bradrick, I. N. Busby, G. W. Byrkitt, R. A. Carnine, L. C. Carroll, J. W. Cheney, C. B. Clark, T. E. Corkhill, W. F. Cowles, J. C. W. Coxe, J. Craig, J. E. Corley, J. S. Ferguson, S. R. Ferguson, A. V. Francis, J. S. Freeland, J. Gassner, J. H. Hard, J. B. Hardy, John Haynes, J. B. Hill, B. Holland, P. F. Holtzinger, L. O. Housel, J. Hunter, C. L. Jennis, A. R. Jones, B. F. Karns, A. C. Keeler, I. O. Kemble, A. V. Kendrick, R. S. Kenyon, A. Kershaw, J. L. King, T. M. Kirkpatrick, O. P. Light, J. M. Mann, B. Mark, S. S. Martin, A. McClintock, J. W. McDonald, J. T. McFarland, E. P. Michener, W. I. Miller, C. Morey, D. Murphy, S. S. Murphy, T. J. Myers, C. R. Norton, George Nulton, W. E. Patterson, E. J. Pike, W. H. H. Pillsbury, J. Potter, Geo. N. Power, H. F. Pugh, A. Robinson, J. W. Robinson, R. Robinson, E. Sampson, E. L. Schreiner, M. See, B. F. Shane, O. C. Shelton, C. W. Shepherd, J. T. Simmons, D. C. Smith, U. B. Smith, W. H. H. Smith, C. L. Stafford, T. Stephenson, G. Swanston, I. P. Teter, S. H. Thomas, J. G. Thompson, W. G.

Thorn, G. M. Tuttle, D. A. Watters, N. Wells, J. Wheeler, W. G. Wilson, H. E. Wing, J. W. Wright—89.

Geo. N. Power was re-elected secretary; H. E. Wing and C. L. Stafford, assistants; J. W. Cheney, recording secretary; T. J. Myers and C. W. Shepherd, statistical secretaries.

The hour of meeting was fixed at 8:30 A. M., and of adjournment at 12 M.

The bar of the conference was fixed within the range of the west side of the third windows.

The committee appointed at the last conference to nominate the standing committees, presented the following report, which was adopted:

AUDITING COMMITTEE—James Hunter, J. M. Mann, S. R. Ferguson, C. H. Montgomery, O. P. Light.

BIBLE CAUSE—R. J. Kenyon, P. F. Holtzinger, George Swanston, W. G. Thorn, W. H. H. Smith, J. C. Kendrick.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—W. E. Patterson, E. Sampson, J. Davis, A. V. Kendrick, J. H. Hard, G. W. Byrkit.

STATE OF THE COUNTRY—J. C. W. Coxe, J. W. Wright, O. C. Shelton, J. W. McDonald, W. H. H. Pillsbury, T. J. Myers.

TOBACCO—A. Latimer, J. B. Hill, L. C. Carroll, C. P. Reynolds, C. R. Norton, E. J. Pike.

NEW YORK ACCOUNTS—L. C. Carroll.

TO RECEIVE EDUCATIONAL COLLECTIONS—S. S. Murphy.

STATE CAMP GROUND—D. C. Bevan, J. W. Wright, B. F. Shane, J. Potter, B. F. Karns.

EDUCATION—W. J. Spaulding, S. S. Murphy, Geo. N. Power, L. O. Housel, W. G. Wilson, M. Bamford.

FREEDMAN'S AID—W. H. Honn, J. S. Freeland, J. Gassner, A. C. Keeler, A. R. Jones, I. N. Busby.

MEMOIRS—J. Craig, John Haynes, D. A. Watters, Geo. Nulton, E. P. Michener, N. Wells.

PERIODICALS—J. Cheney, Jno. Haynes, D. Murphy, H. E. Wing, W. F. Cowles, G. M. Tuttle.

POST OFFICES—W. I. Miller, J. Craig, S. H. Thomas, S. S. Martin, L. M. Hartley, A. Kershaw.

OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH—J. W. Cheney, A. V. Francis, H. F. Pugh, T. J. McFarland, J. Potter, J. G. Thompson.

EPISCOPAL FUND—J. W. Robinson, J. B. Hardy, J. L. King, C. L. Stafford, H. E. Wing, J. E. Corley.

STATE OF THE CHURCH—J. T. Simmons, C. W. Shepherd, U. B. Smith, J. G. Barton, I. O. Kemble, C. B. Clark.

TEMPERANCE—F. W. Evans, C. L. Stafford, A. McClintock, R. B. Allender, I. P. Teter, M. See.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY—J. G. Barton, A. Robinson, E. L. Schreiner, T. Stephenson, C. S. Jennis, C. F. Williams.

STEWARDS—J. B. Hill, E. L. Schreiner, J. G. Barton, J. W. Wright, J. M. Robinson, Geo. Nulton, C. S. Jennis.

TRACT CAUSE—E. J. Pike, W. E. Patterson, J. L. King, J. B. Hill, C. Morey, Geo. Nulton.

NECESSITOUS CASES—Board of Conference Stewards,

PUBLIC WORSHIP—Presiding Elder of Burlington District and the Pastors in Burlington.

A draft on the chartered fund for \$30 was ordered.

On motion, the time for electing delegates to the General Conference was made the order of the day for 10 o'clock Friday.

On motion, A. V. Francis was appointed to procure certificates for return tickets on the C., B. & Q. and B. C. R. & N. R. R.'s.

Rev. W. C. Dandy, D. D., of the Rock River Conference, Dr. J. M. Reed, corresponding secretary of the Missionary Society; Dr. B. St. James Fry, editor of *Central Christian Advocate*; Rev. L. B. Dennis, of the Central Illinois Conference; Rev. John S. Pollock, of the United Presbyterian Church; Dr. W. Salter, of the Congregational Church; Dr. Elon Foster, of the New York Conference, and J. H. Cameron, of the St. Louis Depository, were introduced.

The committee appointed last year to procure reduction of railroad fare for members of the conference and visitors, reported that all persons attending the session who have not half-fare passes can return on the following trains, provided they present to the ticket agents a certificate from the secretary of the conference: On the C., B. & Q. R. R., one-third full rates; on the B., C. R. & N., one-fifth full rates.

The Bishop presented a communication from Garrett Biblical Institute, which was read and referred to the Committee on Education.

The accounts of the New York Book Concern were presented and referred to the committee on Books and Periodicals.

A communication from the agents of the Book Concern in regard to the expenses of the General Conference, and giving the apportionment to this conference, was read and referred to the presiding elders to distribute among the districts.

Also, a communication from Dr. R. S. Rust, corresponding secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, was referred to the presiding elders, that they might distribute the amount apportioned to the conference for the coming year.

The annual report and exhibit of Book Committee was read and referred to Committee on Book and Periodical Accounts.

On motion, a session of the conference was ordered at 2 p. m. to receive the statistics and collections. W. F. Cowles was appointed by the Bishop to preside, and B. Holland to conduct the religious services.

J. B. Hardy was appointed to conduct the religious services at the opening of the morning session.

The conference having adjourned by expiration of time, after the announcements, the Doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Elon Foster.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3d, 1879, 2 P. M.

The conference was called to order by Dr. W. F. Cowles, and B. Holland conducted the devotional exercises.

On motion, J. T. Simmons was appointed to receive Church Extension funds, but was afterward excused, and W. G. Thorn was appointed.

The roll of the conference was called, and the following persons reported their collections and statistics: Byrkitt, Light, See, Busby, Myers, Corley, Wells, Kershaw, Bamford, Stafford, Stephenson, Shepherd, Hunter, Cheney, Wright, Freeland, Thatcher, Haines, Carroll, S. S. Murphy, Craig, Patterson, Robinson (J. W.), Holtzinger, Fawcett, Simmons, Allender, Swanston, King, Haynes, Gassner, Miller, Ferguson (J. S.), Bishop, D. Murphy, Hill, Jennis, Bevan, Thomas, Kenyon, Watters, Shelton, McClintock, Storey, Mann, Hartley, Pillsbury, Thorn, Schreiner, Keeler, C. B. Clark, McFarland, Cowles, Shane, A. V. Kendrick, Housel, Michener, A. Robinson, Morey, Kemble, S. C. Smith, Martin, Wilson, Potter, W. H. H. Smith, Nulton, Wing, Norton, Nye, Hard, Jones—72.

On motion the conference adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 1879, 8.30 A. M.

The Conference convened at the appointed hour, Bishop W. L. Harris in the chair.

The devotional services were conducted by J. B. Hardy.

The list of absentees was called and the following members responded: G. W. Byrkitt, G. H. Clark, J. Davis, W. S. Hurt, Andrew Latimer, J. McDowell and J. P. Rice.

On motion the further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Bishop announced the transfer from the Central Illinois Conference of Rev. Andrew Latimer, and he was introduced to the conference.

J. B. Blakeney and B. Mark were excused from the committee on Preachers' Aid Society, and O. P. Light and W. H. H. Smith were appointed in their places.

Rev. H. S. Church, of the Upper Iowa Conference, H. Summers, of the

Southern Illinois Conference, and F. Smith, of the Central Illinois Conference, were introduced.

O. P. Light appointed at the former session to procure a stone to mark the grave of the lamented Rev. J. W. Hugans, made a brief appeal to the conference for that object.

The 10th Question: "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was called.

J. B. Blakeny presented a written report of Burlington District, and was passed.

J. C. Brown was reported to have withdrawn from the ministry and church, under reports and confession of scandalous crime, and having surrendered his credentials, the secretary was instructed to erase his name from the conference roll, and spread the facts in the case on the conference journal.

The Bishop was also requested to insert a statement of the case in the general minutes.

A communication from the Mission Rooms was read by the Bishop, announcing the death of Mrs. Dr. McClay, at Yokohama, Japan, July 28th, 1879.

A statement having been made by the secretary that E. L. Briggs had refused to surrender his parchments, the following resolution was passed:

Whereas, E. L. Briggs has withdrawn from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and

Whereas, by this action he has forfeited all ministerial authority from said church, and is under obligation to surrender his parchments to the secretary of this conference, and has positively refused so to do, therefore

Resolved, That the conference hereby demand the surrender of his parchments, and in case of his refusal the secretary be instructed to have published in all of our church papers the fact of his refusal, and that he has no right from said church to exercise ministerial authority.

The following resolution was passed, and the secretary was instructed to furnish a copy of the same to Dr. McClay:

Whereas, the Bishop has just announced the death of Mrs. Dr. McClay, at Yokohama, Japan, July 28th, 1879, therefore

Resolved, That we are deeply pained at the news of this sad bereavment of our dear brother, and hereby express to him our sympathy, and shall devoutly pray that God's abundant grace may sustain and keep him.

S. S. MURPHY.

H. E. WING.

GEO. N. POWER.

The following committee was appointed to present the compliments of the conference to the lay conference, which is to convene to-morrow. J. T. Simmons, John Haynes, J. C. W. Coxe, W. F. Cowles, W. G. Wilson.

Dr. Fry, of the *Central Christian Advocate*, addressed the conference in the interest of his paper.

The 10th Question was resumed, and the following Elders reported their missionary collections, were represented and passed: C. B. Clark,

G. W. Byrkitt, G. M. Tuttle, O. P. Light, M. See, I. N. Busby, B. F. Karns, T. J. Myers, E. J. Pike, J. E. Corley, N. Wells, J. C. Kendrick, A. Kershaw, J. G. Thompson, M. Bamford.

T. E. Corkhill, Presiding Elder of Keokuk District, was passed and presented a written report of his district.

The following elders were represented and passed: C. L. Stafford, T. Stephenson, C. W. Shepherd, J. S. Freeland, A. W. Haines, J. C. Carroll, S. S. Murphy, J. Craig, W. E. Patterson, P. F. Holtzinger, J. Hunter, J. W. Cheny, J. W. Wright.

J. Wheeler, D. D. Presiding Elder of Mt. Pleasant District, was passed and read his report.

The following Elders were represented and passed: J. T. Simmons, R. B. Allender, G. Swanston, J. L. King, A. Robinson, J. Haynes, J. Gassner, H. F. Pugh, W. I. Miller, J. Orr, J. C. W. Coxe, J. Davis, W. J. Spaulding and G. F. W. Willey.

I. A. Bradrick, Presiding Elder of Muscatine District, was passed and presented his report of the district.

The following Elders reported their collections and were passed. D. Murphy, J. B. Hill, C. S. Jennis, R. A. Carnine, D. C. Bevan, S. H. Thomas, G. N. Power, R. J. Kenyon, D. A. Watters, O. C. Shelton, W. H. Honn, A. McClintock, E. Sampson, A. V. Francis, J. M. Mann, U. B. Smith, J. B. Hardy.

D. C. Smith, Presiding Elder of Oskaloosa District, was passed and read his report of the district.

The time of the morning session was extended to finish the Oskaloosa District.

The following Elders were passed and reported their collections: W. H. H. Pillsbury, W. G. Thorne, E. L. Schreiner, J. T. McFarland, W. F. Cowles, C. P. Reynolds, B. F. Shane, A. V. Kendrick, L. O. Housel, S. R. Ferguson, F. W. Evans, E. P. Michner, J. W. Robinson, J. M. Coats, I. O. Kemble, C. Morey.

The following committee was appointed to inquire into the case of A. C. Keeler: W. F. Cowles, W. E. Patterson, D. C. Bevan, I. P. Teter, W. H. H. Pillsbury.

The Bishop, on behalf of the preachers of the Oskaloosa District, presented the retiring Presiding Elder D. C. Smith, with a valuable watch.

The usual announcements were made.

The Bishop appointed J. W. McDonald to take charge of the opening services to-morrow morning.

The Doxology was sung and O. C. Shelton pronounced the Benediction.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3D, 1879, 8:30 A. M.

The conference met, Bishop Harris in the chair.

The religious services were conducted by J. W. McDonald.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The 4th Question—"Who are admitted into full connection?"—was taken up.

James F. Robertson and Coleson D. Fawcett were called and passed the disciplinary examination, were addressed by the Bishop, represented by the committee and presiding elders, and after reporting their missionary collections, were admitted and elected to deacons' orders.

J. A. Cooke being an elder, and S. S. Martin a deacon, they were admitted into full connection.

W. I. Graham was reported by the Bishop as having been transferred to the Kansas Conference.

O. J. Squires, superintendent for the state of Iowa of the American Bible Society; J. E. Powell, of the Baptist church of Fort Madison; D. T. Crooks, of the Kansas Conference; J. F. Rouse and S. J. Geddes, of the Protestant Methodist Church, and J. Rugh, of the Central Illinois Conference, and James Noyes, of the New Hampshire Conference, were introduced.

The 10th Question was resumed, and B. Mark, the presiding elder of Ottumwa District, presented a written report of his district.

The following effective elders made their reports and were passed: J. W. McDonald, I. P. Teter, W. G. Wilson, J. Potter, W. H. H. Smith, G. Nulton, H. E. Wing, C. R. Norton, C. H. Montgomery, J. G. Barton, A. R. Jones.

The 3d Question—"Who were on trial?"—was taken up. C. F. Williams was passed and discontinued at his own request.

Samuel F. Bishop, P. H. Bodkin, G. W. Storey, L. M. Hartley, O. J. McFadden, were represented by the committee and presiding elders and after reporting their collections, were continued.

The 8th Question—"Who are the supernumerary preachers?"—was taken up.

Wm. Poston, E. H. Waring, J. S. Ferguson, and George H. Clark were continued.

W. S. Hurt, at his own request, was made effective.

The case of J. P. Rice was referred to a committee for trial.

The hour having arrived, the order of the day, the election of delegates to the General Conference was taken up.

The Bishop announced that the conference, having one hundred and twenty-three members, was entitled to three delegates.

On motion, W. G. Wilson, S. S. Murphy, J. W. Wright, B. F. Karns, and A. V. Francis were appointed tellers and instructed to retire to canvass the vote.

On motion it was ordered that in case more than three persons should receive a majority of the votes of the conference, the three receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

The roll was called and the votes deposited.

The committee in the case of A. C. Keeler reported that they found no ground for bringing charges.

Pending the consideration of this case, the tellers presented a report of the first ballot.

The whole number of votes cast were 103; necessary to a choice, 52. The largest number of votes cast for any one candidate being 46, there was no election.

A second ballot was taken, and the tellers retired.

The case of A. C. Keeler was, on motion, laid on the table for the present.

A partial report from the Committee on Education was presented and adopted, (see report,) after which Dr. Dandy, agent of Garrett Biblical Institute, addressed the conference in the interests of the institute.

On motion the time of the morning session was extended.

The Bishop having been requested, presented the names of the following persons in the case of J. P. Rice, and the conference confirmed the same: J. Haynes, E. P. Michener, J. G. Thompson, I. N. Busby, E. L. Schreiner, B. F. Shane, C. P. Reynolds, U. B. Smith, D. A. Watters, J. B. Hardy, J. F. McFarland, and W. G. Thorn. W. F. Cowles was appointed by the chair to preside, and F. W. Evans to appear in behalf of the church.

The tellers reported the whole number of votes cast were 102; necessary to a choice, 52. J. W. McDonald having received 60 votes, was declared elected.

O. C. Shelton was appointed to conduct the religious services to-morrow morning.

On motion, the conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, and Dr. Dandy pronounced the benediction.

FOURTH DAY.

- SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 1879, 8:30 A. M.

The conference convened at the appointed hour, Bishop Harris in the chair.

In the absence of O. C. Shelton, P. F. Holtzinger conducted the religious services.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

By consent, the question pending, to-wit: The election of the two remaining delegates, was allowed to be laid over until 9:30.

The case of A. C. Keeler was taken up, and the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1st, That we greatly disapprove of the course of A. C. Keeler in neglecting one of his appointments during the last year.

Resolved, 2d, That in view of his past fidelity, and in the hope of entire conformity to the rules of the church in the future, we deem it not best to take action against him at this time, and that his character pass.

The committee in the case of J. P. Rice reported that the charges are not sustained.

His character was passed, and at his own request his relation was continued.

The following preamble and resolution was presented and passed:

Whereas, E. L. Briggs is no longer a minister or member of the Methodist Episcopal church; therefore,

Resolved, That his place on the board of trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University be hereby declared vacant.

The report of the Committee on Education was read and adopted. (See Report.)

The hour having arrived, the conference proceeded to the election of the two remaining delegates.

R. A. Carnine was appointed teller in place of S. S. Murphy, necessarily absent. After the calling of the roll, the tellers retired to canvass the vote.

P. A. Cool, of the Central Illinois Conference, and J. S. Sasseen, of the Missouri Conference, were introduced.

The 7th Question—"Who have been elected and ordained elders?"—was taken up, and S. P. Craver, a missionary to Mexico, was passed to the list of effective elders. J. H. Hard was passed and elected to elders' orders.

The 21st Question—"Have any local preachers been ordained?"—was taken up. The following persons, properly recommended by Quarterly or District Conferences, and reported by the Committee of Examination, were elected to local deacons' orders: Eugene S. Daly, Harry H. Barton, and Samuel C. Smith.

The report of the Auditing Committee, approving the accounts of the Secretary, and recommending a collection to meet the balance of the expenses of the present session, amounting to \$13.20, was presented and passed.

The collection ordered amounted to \$17.33.

A. J. Squires, district superintendent of the American Bible Society, addressed the conference in the interests of the society, and was followed

by Bishop Harris with a short address commending the society to the confidence and support of the members of the conference.

The tellers reported the number of votes cast were 101; necessary to a choice, 51. No one having received a majority, there was no election; and a fourth ballot was taken.

The following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

Whereas, The custom prevails to some extent of giving letters of dismission to persons who desire to withdraw from the Methodist Episcopal Church, with no intention of entering any other communion; therefore,

Resolved, That this conference hereby expresses its entire disapproval of this practice as a perversion of the Disciplinary provision in the matter of church letters.

* Jacob Kaughman and William Wilson, a committee appointed by the Lay Conference to bear greetings from that body to this, were introduced, and briefly addressed the conference.

The tellers returned and reported the last ballot; necessary to a choice, 51. I. A. Bradick, having received 55, was declared elected.

The fifth ballot was taken, and the tellers retired.

The report of the Committee on Mutual Aid Society was read.

On motion, one hundred and twenty-five copies were ordered printed, and its consideration was made the order of the day for Monday at ten o'clock.

A motion prevailed that when the conference adjourn, that it be to 2 o'clock.

The report of the fifth ballot was made, showing the whole number of votes cast was 99. J. B. Blakeney, having received 56, was declared elected.

On motion, the action of the conference to vote by ballot for delegates to the General Conference was reconsidered, and J. B. Hardy and Jos. McDowell were elected reserve delegates by a hand vote.

Receipts from the treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society for \$5,626.38 were filed with the Secretary.

The 20th Question—"Where and when shall the next conference be held?"—was taken up. Muscatine and Centerville were put in nomination and represented. Centerville was chosen as the place of the next session.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the officers and managers of the conference societies be requested to arrange their programmes for the next session in time to have them published in the minutes of this session.

M. BAMFORD.

B. F. SHANE.

T. STEPHENSON.

Resolved, That while we are not opposed to the transfer of useful ministers from other conferences to ours, we are opposed to a certain kind of special transfers.

Resolved, That we hereby request the Bishop not to transfer any man to this conference for the purpose of appointing him to one of our prominent

charges who would not come to us without such appointment.

F. W. EVANS.
I. W. ROBINSON.
J. B. HARDY.
J. G. BARTON.

Whereas, Our superannuated preachers have laid, under God, the foundations of our Christian civilization in this state; therefore,

Resolved, That we request the railroads to issue to them half-fare passes.
D. MURPHY.

Whereas, It is highly necessary that we should have rules of order for the government of this conference; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draw up rules of order and present them on the first day of the next session.

D. MURPHY.
J. C. W. COXE.

On motion, J. C. W. Coxe, D. Murphy and I. O. Kemble were appointed the committee.

The 9th Question—"Who are the superannuated preachers?"—was taken up. J. Hayden, A. W. Johnson, J. H. McCutchen, J. McDowell H. Runyon, R. S. Robinson, A. W. Stryker, L. C. Woodford, J. Burgess James Haynes, J. Harris, T. M. Kirkpatrick, E. W. Twining, S. Hestwood and B. Holland were called and their cases continued.

The case of J. T. Coleman was passed over until Monday.

The time of the session was extended to finish necessary business.

On motion, J. M. Coats was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request.

On motion, the Bishop and presiding elders were requested to nominate triers of appeals, and the presiding elders to nominate standing committees for the next session.

On motion, the committee on the State of the Church for the next session was appointed, as follows: J. E. Corley, J. W. Cheney, J. T. Simmons, J. B. Hardy, F. W. Evans, J. G. Barton.

The Bishop appointed J. C. W. Coxe to conduct religious services at the opening of the afternoon session.

The Doxology was sung and the benediction pronounced by I. P. Teter.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6th, 1879, 2 P. M.

The conference met at the appointed hour, Bishop Harris in the chair. The religious services were conducted by J. C. W. Coxe.

The reading of the minutes of the morning session was postponed until Monday morning.

Receipts from the treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society were filed with the Secretary for \$366.11.

The following reports were presented and adopted—Committee on Periodicals, Conference Educational Society, and a detailed report of the receipts for Freedmen's Aid Society.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That we extend to the C., B. & Q., B., C. R. & N., and the B. & S. W. Railroads our thanks for reduced rates to the members of the conference and visitors that have attended the session.

I. P. TETER.

I. P. Teter was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the religious services Monday morning.

On motion the conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by I. P. Teter

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 1879, 8:30 A. M.

Conference convened at the appointed hour, Bishop W. L. Harris in the chair.

The devotional exercises were conducted by I. P. Teter.

The minutes of Saturday's sessions were read and approved.

The Bishop filed the following certificates of ordination :

This is to certify that in the city of Burlington, Iowa, on the 7th day of September, 1879, the following persons were by me ordained to the order of deacons in the Methodist Episcopal Church, viz: James F. Robertson, Colson D. Fawcett, Eugene S. Daly, Harry H. Barton, Samuel C. Smith.

And in the same city, on the same day, several elders assisting in the service, Jacob H. Hard was ordained to the order of elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Given under my hand, at Burlington, Iowa, this 8th day of September, 1879.

W. L. HARRIS.

The 10th Question was resumed, to-wit:—"Was the character of each preacher examined?" and R. B. Allender was passed, and at his own request was granted a superannuated relation.

The Secretary reported the surrender of the parchments of W. Keeler, Local Deacon.

The annual report of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University was presented and adopted. (See Report.)

The proposition of J. W. McDonald, to raise twenty-five thousand dollars for the permanent endowment fund of the University, was referred to following committee, to report at the present session: W. G. Wilson, J. W. McDonald, Dennis Murphy.

B. F. W. Cozier, of the Des Moines Conference, was introduced.

The order of the day was taken up, and the report of the committee to draft articles of incorporation for a Preachers' Mutual Aid Society was presented, and Article I, was amended by inserting the following names as incorporators: D. Murphy, G. N. Power, J. Wheeler, J. C. W. Coxe, F. W. Evans, and with articles II., III., IV. and V., was adopted. The remainder of the report was referred back to the committee. J. W. Cheney, J. Wheeler, B. Mark, and J. T. McFarland were added to the committee.

O. P. Light was excused from acting on the committee, and J. T. Simmons was appointed in his place.

The report of the committee on the state of the church was adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the committee on the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was read and adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the committee on the American Bible Society was read and adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the committee on Sunday School Union was read and adopted. (See report.)

The Bishop presented a communication from agents of the Book Concern relating to Sunday School literature, which was read and placed on file.

The report of the committee on Freedmen's Aid Society was read and adopted. (See Report.)

The report of the Statistical Secretaries was adopted.

The time of the morning session was extended, that the conference Stewards might make their report. The funds were distributed as follows: (See Report.)

D. Murphy was appointed by the Bishop to conduct the religious services at the next session.

On motion, the conference adjourned.

The Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by R. S. Robinson.

SIXTH DAY.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th, 1879, 8:30 A. M.

The conference met at 8:30 A. M., the Bishop in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by D. Murphy.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The 2d Question—"Who are admitted on trial?"—was taken up, and H. E. Wykoff, H. H. Barton, F. R. Holcomb, W. E. Howe, S. C. Smith and A. H. Dunlavy were recommended and admitted.

The Bishop announced the transfer of Simon McChesney from Rock River Conference.

It being understood that J. T. Simmons would be appointed agent of the Iowa Wesleyan University, the conference requested the Trustees to make the salary of the agent \$1,200 per annum and expenses. And the following resolution was adopted;

Whereas, Rev. J. T. Simmons has been appointed agent of the Iowa Wesleyan University,

Resolved, That we hereby express our conviction that the college is fortunate in having him so appointed, and that we will receive him in our districts and charges, and sustain him in every possible way.

A motion prevailed that the educational collections for the past year be paid over to the trustees, to be applied on the salary of the agent.

The report on Preachers' Aid Society, which was recommitted yesterday, was taken up, and the amended report adopted, and the meeting for formal organization was appointed for the afternoon of the second day of the conference session next year.

The following resolution, offered by J. W. McDonald, was adopted :

Whereas, The next University Day of the Iowa Wesleyan University will be the twenty-fifth in its history : and

Whereas, It is proposed on that day to have a silver wedding celebration of the University ; therefore,

Resolved, That as ministers of the Iowa Annual Conference, we will do all we can to interest all our people in this celebration, and secure, as far as possible, a contribution from each one.

Resolved, That each minister be appointed an agent to gather up these contributions and send them to the appointed Treasurer of such funds at Mount Pleasant.

A plan for the endowment of the chair of Natural Science in the Iowa Wesleyan University, calling for \$10,000 the present year, was adopted.

The relation of J. T. Coleman was changed from superannuated to effective, and that of J. Gassner from effective to supernumerary.

The time of the morning session was extended for the Conference Stewards to make their reports.

A motion prevailed that when the conference adjourn, that it be to 2:30 P. M.

By order of the conference, the Episcopal Fund was divided equally among the Districts, \$150 each, and the General Conference expenses as follows: Burlington and Muscatine Districts, \$100.00; Keokuk, Mount Pleasant, Oskaloosa and Ottumwa Districts, \$75.00 each.

J. W. Cheney was appointed to conduct the religious services at the opening of the afternoon session.

The Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by J. Gassner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th, 1879, 2:30 P. M.

The Bishop called the conference to order, and the devotional services were conducted by J. W. Cheney.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Visitors of the Iowa Wesleyan University presented their report, and it was adopted. (See Report.)

The committees for examination next year were announced by the Bishop.

George N. Power was appointed Publishing Agent, and instructed to publish two thousand copies of the minutes and distribute them on the basis of last year's distribution.

The following reports were presented: Tobacco, Tract Cause, Educational Fund, The Observance of the Sabbath, Episcopal Fund, Temperance, Church Extension, and Conference Trustees, and adopted. (See Reports.)

The Secretary was instructed to pay for printing Articles of Incorporation of the Preachers' Aid Society.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, A religious literature is almost essential to the development and progress of the church; and

Whereas, Our periodicals are esteemed as too high—this estimate being based upon a comparison of the secular weeklies; and

Whereas, This opinion is difficult to dislodge from the minds of our people; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That we memorialize the next General Conference to give us a cheap weekly sheet.

Resolved, 2d, That our delegates be and are hereby instructed to use their best efforts to secure such a paper in the West.

J. GASSNER.

JOHN WHEELER.

J. B. HARDY.

C. S. JENNIS.

J. B. HILL.

Resolved, That we notify the Upper Iowa Conference at its next session, through the Secretary of the Conference, of a proposition to so change the boundary line between the two Conferences as to run east from the south line of Marshall county.

F. W. EVANS.

E. L. SCHREINER.

J. B. HARDY.

Resolved, That we request the Committee on Public Worship, for the next session of our Conference, to arrange the anniversaries of the Conference societies for the afternoons, and provide more special religious services for the evenings.

C. W. SHEPHERD.

J. W. CHENEY.

Resolved, That the members of the Conference be instructed to send their collections for General Conference expenses to J. W. McDonald, chairman of the delegation.

GEO. N. POWER.
H. E. WING.

Resolved, That the Iowa Annual Conference hereby memorialize the coming General Conference to make such provision as that a pastor may not receive a certificate of membership which has been held more than six months after the holder moved into the place, and had a reasonable opportunity of presenting such certificate.

L. C. CARROLL.
J. W. CHENEY.

Resolved, That any member of the Conference who fails to hand in the statistical report for his charge on the first day of the session shall give reason for the omission in open conference.

IRA O. KEMBLE.
A. MCCLINTOCK.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Burlington for the generous hospitality extended to the members of the Conference during this session; and we will remember them in our prayers, that God will abundantly bless them during the year with spiritual blessings in Christ Jesus.

GEO. N. POWER.
C. L. STAFFORD.
IRA O. KEMBLE.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Conference are due and are hereby tendered *The Hawkeye*, for the excellent reports of the Conference proceedings daily furnished, and for *The Hawkeye Extra* containing the appointments.

J. W. WRIGHT.
C. C. STAFFORD.
GEO. N. POWER.

Resolved, That we appreciate the services of Bishop W. L. Harris, and that he has rendered the most complete satisfaction in the prompt and impartial manner in which he has administered; and shall ever pray that he may be long spared for usefulness.

GEO. N. POWER.
C. L. STAFFORD.
IRA O. KEMBLE.

The Bishop then briefly addressed the members of the Conference in relation to their work the coming year.

A motion to adjourn after the reading of the appointments prevailed.

The appointments were then announced. The Doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by the Bishop.

WM. L. HARRIS, President.

GEO. N. POWER, Secretary.

VII. REPORTS.

I. AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Your Committee would report that they have examined the accounts of the Secretary, and find them correct, and recommend that a collection be taken to reimburse the Secretary. J. M. MANN, Chairman.

II. BIBLE CAUSE.

Your Committee on the Bible Cause report the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st, That we heartily approve of the work and management of the American Bible Society, and pledge our continued support and efforts in its behalf.

Resolved, 2d, That each preacher should take a collection in his charge this year for the cause.

Resolved, 3d, That each preacher having or receiving funds for the Society be requested to pay the same to the Treasurer of the County Bible Society, and take his receipt. W. G. THORN, Sec'y.

III. STATE OF THE CHURCH.

With profoundest gratitude to Almighty God, we recognize the presence of the Great Head of the Church still dwelling in our Zion as a "cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night." We have cause to praise God that the Holy Ghost still blesses His word as taught and preached in our homes and pulpits; that sinners are convicted and believers sanctified in answer to prayer; a high standard of Christian attainment is aimed at; our membership generally faithful, and "our people die well."

Yet we must lament the indications in many places of a growing worldliness and lack of spirituality in the type of Christian character being developed. There is serious cause to fear that culture is being substituted for piety, and prudential means for God's agencies, with a marked tendency to recognize and use the church as a social badge rather than a militant host.

We call attention to and deplore the tendency to destroy the distinctive features of Methodism by a sentimental liberalism which concedes that there is no difference between other churches and our, own thus

relinquishing our forms and points of doctrine, on which has always hung the glory of our denominational strength, which is in danger of being exchanged for a weak and ephemeral form of religion with little or no aggressive force.

The great lack of conformity to the Discipline of the church evinces a deep sleep of conscience which ought to be broken.

We most earnestly ask the attention of our preachers and people to these things, that we grieve not the Holy Spirit, and find ourselves as a people "weighed in the balance and found wanting."

J. T. SIMMONS, Chairman.

IV. REPORT OF CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

Whereas, We deem the work of church extension very intimately connected with our missionary work; for our work promises permanency only where there are places of worship provided; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That to the very best of our ability we will place this before our people as an enterprise of the very highest importance in our efforts to extend the Kingdom of Christ.

Resolved, 2d, That it is the sense of this conference that the business of the parent board has been wisely and successfully administered, and that we hereby pledge our confidence and co-operation.

J. T. SIMMONS.
JOHN HAYNES.
W. J. SPAULDING.

V. EDUCATIONAL.

A—REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

To the Iowa Annual Conference, held in Burlington, Iowa, September 3d, A. D. 1879.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN. In laying before you this my annual report, for the college year ending June 13th, A. D. 1879, I am happy to be able to say that the past year has been one of signal harmony, prosperity and success.

Under the wise and prudent management of its President, Rev. Dr. Spaulding, all the interests of the University, in the department of instruction, have been so carefully fostered as to gladden the hearts of all its friends and to inspire them with both confidence and faith in the grandeur of its future career.

THE FINANCIAL OUTLOOK

At present is much more encouraging than it has been for some time past. At a meeting of the Trustees, a year ago, the board, recognizing "the imperative necessity of bringing the expenditures of the institution within its income," referred this matter to a select committee, consisting of Brothers Wheeler, Work, Cowles, Pillsbury and Byrkit, who reported that the desired object could only be reached by "either reducing the number of teachers, or reducing their salaries, or increasing the income of the

institution." Owing to the stringency of the money market, it was thought impossible to do the latter so as to meet the demand, and after careful deliberation the board resolved to diminish the number of teachers and ask the faculty to do for the time being extra work, so as to carry the institution over the hard times and until the endowment could be increased and means secured to employ a stronger teaching force. They accordingly rearranged the faculty, and instructed the President to "so provide from the corps of professors as to meet all the wants of the preparatory department." This was done, and the year was one of harmony, prosperity and success—the income having exceeded the expenditures by about five hundred dollars.

The Board of Trustees met in annual session, June 13, A. D. 1879, and elected—

Hon. James Harlan, President.

Thos. E. Corkhill, Secretary.

W. I. Babb, Treasurer.

Vice-President—W. F. Cowles.

Financial Secretary—Thos. E. Corkhill.

Executive Committee—E. L. Penn, W. I. Babb, W. J. Spaulding, Charles Snider.

They also appointed a Committee on Endowment, from whose report I make the following extract, to-wit:

Resolved, That there is wealth enough in the various societies within the bounds of the Iowa Conference to supply all the financial needs of the institution, if our people could become suitably interested in the same.

Resolved, That in order to have the preachers interested, and through them to interest the people, the board appoint one or more of its members to lay the subject before the Conference at its coming session.

In pursuance of this, the Board appointed its President and Secretary to attend to this duty.

The board also adopted a resolution asking that the Bishop appoint an Agent for the Iowa Wesleyan University.

And also the following, to-wit:

Whereas, It appears from the reports laid before this board, that the secured and reliable endowment fund yielding an annual income of ten per cent. per annum, amounts in round numbers to forty-three thousand dollars, and that unsecured endowment notes, now in the hands of the institution, if properly managed, might be made to yield ten thousand more, making an aggregate of fifty-three thousand dollars; therefore,

Resolved, That an effort be made to secure an additional forty-seven thousand dollars.

And to this end the Board of Trustees respectfully request the cordial co-operation of the Presiding Elders and Pastors of the several districts and charges in the Iowa Conference, together with the agent to be appointed, to raise an average of \$7,833.33 $\frac{1}{3}$ per district within the next two years, in such way as they may, in their district conferences or associations, devise.

Degrees were conferred as follows, to-wit:

The graduating class of the past year consisted of fifteen persons.

7 received the degree of A. B.

8 received the degree of B. S.

9 persons received the degree of A. M. in course.

11 persons received the degree of M. S. in course.

1 received the honorary of A. M.

1 received the degree of D. D.

1 received the degree of Ph. D.

As shown by the catalogue there were 171 students in school during the year, of whom 84 were in the regular college department.

According to the provisions of the charter, the term of one class of trustees now expires, and it will become the duty of this Conference to supply their places.

Those whose term of office now expires are: I. A. Bradrick, W. F. Cowles, W. A. Work, Charles Snider, Miss Phebe Elliott, and Henry Ambler.

Also, a letter has been received from Hon. F. T. Campbell, tendering his resignation as trustee.

The following is a brief exhibit of the funds of the University, to-wit:

PRESIDENT'S CHAIR—ENDOWMENT.

Notes secured by mortgage	\$13,432 37	
Pacific Railroad Bond	1,228 90	
Notes unsecured	5,301 20	
Cash on hand	787 09	
	<u> </u>	\$20,749 56

ALUMNAL CHAIR.

Notes secured by mortgage	\$2,990 69	
Notes not secured by mortgage	3,196 40	
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Total		\$6,187 09

LIBRARY FUND.

Notes not secured by mortgage	\$100 00
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CHAIR OF NATURAL SCIENCE.

Notes not secured	\$373 00	
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GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND.

Notes secured by mortgage	\$28,188 06	
Note of Oliver Hoyt	15,000 00	
Notes on hand not secured	5,985 00	
Cash on hand	323 11	
	<u> </u>	33,073 11

RECAPITULATION. (ENDOWMENT.)

Amount secured by mortgage	\$38,188 06	
Cash endowment on hand	1,110 20	
Funds not secured by mortgage	31,184 50	
(Fifteen thousand of the unsecured fund is in a note on Oliver Hoyt, Esq., of New York, on which the interest is regularly paid every six months.)		
Real Estate	5,900 00	
	<u> </u>	\$66,382 76

To show the full value of the institution we make
the following estimates, to-wit:

Buildings and grounds	\$45,000 00	
Library and apparatus	2,000 00	
Museum and furniture	3,000 00	
		<u>\$50,000 00</u>
Total value of the Iowa Wesleyan University		<u>\$116,382 76</u>

LIABILITIES.

W. J. Spaulding, President	\$2,975 00
Mrs. Belle Mansfield	1,433 33
Prof. Wray Beattie	933 33
Prof. Willey	800 00
W. T. Robinson	560 93
I. O. Kemble (claim unsettled)	500 00
Mrs. W. J. Spaulding	119 00
Laying down the walk	57 36
Sundries	36 05
Total liabilities	<u>\$7,406 00</u>

From the foregoing it would appear that the real money value of the Iowa Wesleyan University over and above all liabilities might be safely set down at one hundred and eight thousand nine hundred and seventy-six dollars and seventy-six cents—\$108,976.76.

These facts should inspire every heart with earnest hope and trust for the future success of our noble institution.

When we consider the years of failure of crops, and financial pressure, through which we have just come—years that have filled the land with embarrassments and bankruptcies—it is by no means surprising that we should find a small debt against the Iowa Wesleyan University.

Your Secretary would close his report by reminding this Conference that when it received this institution from a private corporation as a gift, that it gave a solemn pledge that it should be made an institution of highest grade.

To faithfully redeem this pledge she has been laboring for years. And so far as thorough drill and instruction in the school is concerned, she has kept her promise. And her students, on going out from her halls to engage in the activities of life, have been able to stand abreast with those of the oldest and wealthiest of the land.

But before our institution can fully accomplish her mission, she must be more fully endowed.

She greatly needs at present not less than fifty thousand dollars in addition to the amount on hand at this time.

To provide for these wants will become the duty of this Conference.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. E. CORKHILL, Secretary.

B—EDUCATIONAL COLLECTIONS.

From Districts as follows.

Burlington	\$ 23 50
Keokuk	33 45
Mount Pleasant	45 25
Muscatine	40 63
Oskaloosa	30 83
Ottumwa	23 26

\$196 81

Receipts from Garrett Biblical Institute 85 00

Receipts from Children's Day 3 25

Total \$285 06

S. S. MURPHY, Chairman.

C—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education, after careful consideration of the recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University, for the appointment of a financial agent for the College for the coming year, would recommend that the Conference request the Bishop to appoint such an agent.

Having examined thoroughly the communication from the Trustees and Faculty of the Garrett Biblical Institute, and the presentation of the financial interests of the Institute by its very efficient agent, Dr. W. C. Dandy, would recommend that the members of this Conference take a collection in their charges the coming year for the current expenses of the Institute.

W. J. SPAULDING, Chairman.

D—REPORT OF THE VISITORS TO THE IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The committee attended the examination of the students, and were present at each session of the Board of Trustees.

The Committee are well satisfied as to the proficiency of the pupils and the thoroughness of the instruction. We believe that the Faculty are laboring to promote the best interests of the institution. The financial condition of the University is somewhat improved, and we believe it might be much more improved by special attention to the collection of old notes and taking measures to increase the number of students.

The existence and prosperity of the institution are imperatively necessary to the success of Methodism and education in the bounds of the Iowa Conference, but we believe great indifference exists among our people concerning this matter. This ought to be removed and confidence ought to be restored.

The work is well done, and the institution should receive the hearty support of both pastors and people.

The appointment of an agent, the collection of old notes, the renewal of outlawed obligations, and something for the endowment fund from all the preachers, will help greatly.

J. W. WRIGHT.
F. W. EVANS.
J. G. BARTON.
C. B. CLARK.
D. A. WATTERS.
A. KERSHAW
J. M. MANN.

E—ENDOWMENT FUND.

Your Committee on Plan of Endowment Fund would report the following:

Resolved, 1st, That we immediately proceed to raise the sum of \$25,000 to be applied on the endowment fund of the Iowa Wesleyan University; provided that no subscription to this fund shall be binding until the whole amount is subscribed. And provided, further, that in case any member of this Conference should die before his subscription shall be paid, it shall be canceled.

Resolved, 2d, That the subscriptions be put into notes bearing six per cent. interest, payable annually, and not to run longer than five years.

Resolved, 3d, That this Conference take up a subscription to this fund by private application.

Resolved, 4th, That the Presiding Elders appoint two ministers in each district, who, with himself, shall be a committee to arrange for an educational convention in each district as soon as possible after Conference, to help forward this work.

W. G. WILSON, Chairman.

VI. EPISCOPAL FUND.

	Claims	Per Cent. on Collections.	Receipts	Excess	Deficiency
Burlington District	\$150 00	69 1-3	\$104 11	. . . . .	\$45 89
Keokuk	150 00	69 1-3	105 00	. . . . .	45 00
Muscatine	150 00	80 1-7	122 00	. . . . .	28 00
Mount Pleasant	150 00	55	82 53	. . . . .	67 47
Oskaloosa	150 00	80 1-5	124 06	. . . . .	25 94
Ottumwa	150 00	80 1-5	124 00	. . . . .	26 00
Total	\$900 00	73 1-2	\$661 70	. . . . .	\$238 30

J. B. HARDY, Chairman.

VII. FREEDMEN'S AID.

The Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church present, in their last annual report, facts and figures indicating the successful prosecution of the work assigned it. In the twenty-eight Conferences in the South, one-half are composed principally of colored members.

The Society has aided in the establishment of ten chartered institutions of learning; among them three theological schools and two medical colleges. It has also aided ten institutions not chartered. In all these the

number of students during the year in the various departments amount to two thousand nine hundred and forty. Great improvement has been made in the intelligence of the students; also in their moral and financial condition.

No people are more liberal, according to their means, in supporting the church in all departments of religious enterprise than are the freedmen. Yet with all that has been accomplished for the elevation of this people, much remains to be done. The cause is worthy of greater effort and more liberal support.

We would therefore remind our brethren of the duty of presenting this cause at a favorable time in the coming year, that every dollar of the twelve hundred dollars apportioned to this Conference may be raised.

W. H. HONN, Chairman.

VIII. PREACHERS' MUTUAL AID SOCIETY.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

We, your Committee, appointed at the last session of the Iowa Annual Conference to draw up Articles of Incorporation for a PREACHERS' MUTUAL AID SOCIETY, present the following report for your adoption:

ARTICLE 1. D. Murphy, G. N. Power, J. Wheeler, J. C. W. Cox, F. W. Evans, and their associates and successors, who may hereafter become members of the Association, as provided for in the following Articles, form themselves into a body corporate, under the name and title of "THE MUTUAL AID SOCIETY" of the Iowa Conference of the M. E. Church. The aim of this Association shall be more adequately to provide for our families in case of our decease.

ARTICLE 2. This Society shall have power to sue, and be sued; to acquire and hold, by deed, by devise, or by will, or by any other lawful way, real and personal property, for the purposes set forth in Article first.

ARTICLE 3. The officers of this Corporation shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, together with five others, the whole constituting nine Trustees, who shall be elected at the annual meeting to be held on the second day or evening of each annual session of the Iowa Conference.

ARTICLE 4. Any member of said Conference may become a member of this Association by signing these Articles, and paying to the Treasurer the sum of Five Dollars. The money thus paid shall be a Reserve Fund for the purposes set forth below in these Articles. In addition to this, on the first day of every annual session, each member shall pay annual dues to the amount of two dollars, which shall be used as a Reserve Fund, for the purposes set forth below.

ARTICLE 5. Any lay member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or other person, may become an honorary member of this Society by paying one dollar membership dues, and two dollars on the decease of any of the members of this Society; provided, however, that such honorary member shall not be entitled to any of the benefits of this Society, because that their honorary relation is sought by them with the laudable desire to assist in increasing the funds of this Society, and thus aiding their ministers' families.

ARTICLE 6 On the death of any member of this Association, his heirs

or assigns shall be entitled to, and receive from the Association, a sum of money equal to five dollars for each member thereof, together with a sum equal to the whole amount paid into the Reserve Fund by the deceased member, and the interest on the Reserve Fund as provided in Articles eleven and twelve.

ARTICLE 7. For all payments to the proper claimant, or claimants, the Treasurer shall require an order, signed by the Secretary, and countersigned by the President; and the time and place for the settlement of all claims shall be at the regular session of the Annual Conference.

ARTICLE 8. In case a member fails to pay his assessment at the Conference session, he shall forfeit his membership in this Society, and all rights therein whatever; and the Treasurer shall be authorized to draw from the Reserve Fund of the Association, and pay to the heirs or assigns of the deceased member a sum sufficient to offset the loss occasioned by such defaulting member.

ARTICLE 9. The principal place of business shall be Ottumwa, Iowa, and as far as possible the Trustees and other officers shall be selected from persons in that vicinity.

ARTICLE 10. There shall be no salaried officers, except that the Association should appoint an Agent. In that event, his compensation shall be settled by law.

ARTICLE 11. The Reserve Fund shall consist of initiation fees, annual dues, bequests, donations, and other productive assets of this Association, the interest of which shall be divided among claimants as provided in Article 13.

ARTICLE 12. The Reserve Fund shall be loaned or invested at the best rates possible, and the accruing interest thereon shall be used to defray the expenses of conducting the Society; and the remainder of said interest shall be paid into the Reserve Fund, in case there be no death loss; otherwise it shall be paid, with the assessments, to the legal claimant or claimants.

ARTICLE 13. The Treasurer shall give bonds to the amount of the whole of the moneys in the treasury.

ARTICLE 14. These Articles of Incorporation may be altered or amended at any regular meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the members present; *provided*, one year's previous notice has been given of such an intention.

D. MURPHY, Secretary.

IX. PERIODICALS.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the subject of Periodicals, beg leave to report:

The printing press has come to be one of the mighty agencies of the world, whether used for the propagation of error, or of the truth. We see our land to-day literally flooded with a pernicious literature. Our church, fully recognizing this fact, has wisely brought the press into requisition in the production of a literature that is wholesome to public moral, and promotive of private religious life.

As members of the Iowa Conference we hereby express our most cordial approval of the economy of our church in providing for its ministry and membership a pure, chaste, and elevated Christian literature, adapted to

their various necessities. We believe that in purity of tone, in literary merit, and in their adaptation to the wants of the people, the productions of our presses are excelled by none.

As pastors we are deeply sensible of the fact that our church periodical literature is a factor of great influence in the prosecution of our work. The circulation of our periodicals gives an increased impetus to every Christian enterprise. They become to us, therefore, indispensable aids. While we do not discourage our people from reading the secular journals, but rather *encourage* them in reading those which are wisely chosen, we *do feel* that this ought not to be done at the expense of and to the exclusion of the church paper.

We feel proud of the high character and the distinguished ability with which our church periodicals are conducted as a whole.

We most heartily commend our *Quarterly Review* to all our ministers, both young and old. The distinguished ability with which it is edited, and the very able reviews of new publications which it contains, ought to make it well nigh indispensable to us.

We desire also to see the *National Repository* increasing more and more in its circulation and in favor with the people.

We recognize in the *Central Christian Advocate* an ably conducted church journal; and hereby express our increasing appreciation of Dr. Fry's efforts to make just such a paper as we need. We are happy to know that the *Central* grows steadily in favor with the people. We shall deem it our duty to continue to faithfully recommend it to our people and urge them to subscribe.

We shall hail the day when sound business principles will justify our publishers in materially reducing the price of our periodicals, but until it can be done safely, we believe interest and duty demand that we should take them at the price.

We specially insist that our Sunday school publications are as cheap as any in the market of equal merit, and are fully abreast with the Sunday School thought of the world, and as Methodists we should feel it a duty to patronize our own publications, in supplying our schools, in preference to all others.

J. W. CHENEY.
H. E. WING.
JOHN HAYNES.
D. MURPHY.

X. THE OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH.

The Committee to whom the subject of the Observance of the Sabbath was referred respectfully present the following recommendations:

1. That reverence for the Lord's Day should be earnestly inculcated by the ministry in its public and private teachings, and faithfully enforced in its administration of discipline.

2. That the custom of railroad and other corporations continuing their business during the Sabbath, should be condemned as a double crime, being a sin in itself and a wrong against the employes of such corporations, requiring them to desecrate the Sabbath and depriving them of the advantages of religious services.

3. That Camp-Meetings should not be held over the Sabbath.

4. That Christian people should not patronize periodicals that are published on the Sabbath.

5. That the civil law should be enforced against those who violate its requirements with regard to the Sabbath.

J. G. THOMPSON, Chairman.

J. T. McFARLAND, Secretary.

XI. STEWARD'S REPORT.

QUESTION 17. What are the claims upon the Conference fund?

ANSWER. Of effective preachers, nothing; of Supernumerary preachers, nothing; of Superannuated preachers, \$3,800; of Widows and Orphans, \$3,700; Total, \$7,500.

QUESTION 18. What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?

ANSWER 1. From Chartered Fund, \$30.00; from Circuits and Stations, \$1,051.46; Total, \$1,081.46. Which is 14 per cent. on the claims.

ANSWER 2. Distributed by order of the Conference as follows:

SUPERANNUATES.

NAMES OF CLAIMANTS.	REC'D.	PAID TO.
John Hayden	\$20 00	Self.
L. C. Woodford	50 00	H. S. Church.
A. W. Johnson	55 00	Potter.
J. McDowell	55 00	Self.
R. S. Robinson	100 00	Self.
B. Holland	75 00	Wheeler.
John Harris	85 00	Power.
T. M. Kirkpatrick	85 00	Self.
J. T. Coleman	41 86	Self.
	\$576 00	

WIDOWS.

NAMES OF CLAIMANTS.	REC'D.	PAID TO.
Mrs. Worthington	\$40 00	Wheeler.
Mrs. Stewart	10 00	Wheeler.
Mrs. Hare	10 00	Wheeler.
Mrs. Bamford	85 00	M. Bamford.
Mrs. Prather	85 00	Hunter.
Mrs. Donaldson	85 00	Wheeler.
Mrs. Boyles	50 00	Wing.
Mrs. Friend	60 00	Wheeler.
Mrs. Coddington	60 00	Wheeler.
Mrs. Clark	10 00	Stafford.
Mrs. Coiner	10 00	Wheeler.
	\$505 00	

J. B. HILL, Chairman.

XII. REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Resolved, 1. That we endeavor to carry out the design of the Conference Sunday School Union as expressed in its constitution, by organizing in the Districts, District Sunday School Unions for the promotion of the Sunday School cause within the bounds of the Districts.

2. That we will hold annual District Sunday School Conventions in connection with the District Conferences, or Ministerial Associations, or at such other times as may be decided upon.

3. That when the counties are organized for Union Sunday School Conventions, that we give such organizations our sanction and patronage,

4. That we endeavor to promote the introduction of the Sunday School literature of our Book Concern in preference to that of other houses.

5. That we discourage the idea that the Sunday School is the "children's church," and endeavor to induce the attendance of the children and youth of the Sunday School upon the regular services of the church.

We suggest the following persons to make addresses at the next anniversary of the Conference Sunday School Union, viz : J. T. McFarland and J. W. Robinson.

E. J. PIKE, Secretary.

XIII. TEMPERANCE.

Whereas, The traffic in, and use of, intoxicating beverages are attended with evil, only evil, and that continually, carrying evil to the body, mind and soul of the individual, evil to the body politic, impeding national development as well as tearing down the monuments already erected; staying individual achievement, as well as prostrating in the dust that which had been secured; defying religious reforms, as well as corrupting the good that had an existence; and

Whereas, The old methods of temperance work have been superseded by a reform movement of which the Lord God is the recognized author, and which is led on under His sanction by the representatives of the Christian Church; having already achieved results that promise the ultimate redemption of the nation from this the greatest blight of our age; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That we cheerfully reaffirm our fidelity to the temperance principles we have set forth from year to year: (which means *prohibition*, both to manufacture and sale, and total abstinence from the use—as beverages—of all alcoholic liquors.

Resolved, 2d, That we recognize the drunkards best hope, as well as that of the cause we advocate, is in the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ, "who is able to save them to the uttermost who come unto God by Him," whether drunkard or transgressor in any other way.

Resolved, 3d, That we congratulate ourselves as citizens of the commonwealth of Iowa on coming into line with the banner states of the republic on the temperance question.

Resolved, 4th, That in voting for civil officers we will be careful to vote for no man known to favor the manufacture, sale or use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage; and that as pastors we will warn our people against voting for such men.

Resolved, 5th, That we believe every Christian man and woman in the land ought to be committed to temperance, and we hereby pledge our-

selves to do our duty, as far as we have information and ability, to secure such committal on the part of those with whom we associate in our several fields of labor.

F. W. EVANS, Chairman.

A. McCLINTOCK, Secretary.

XIV. TREASURER OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

To the Iowa Annual Conference :

As Treasurer of the Board of Stewards of this Conference I beg leave to submit the following report :

1878.	September	1	Cash on hand.....	\$30 76
	September	10	Received of Nancy Miller.....	5 00
	September	24	Received of Rev. J. Haynes.....	5 00
1879.	February	22	Received of Geo. W. Tool.....	5 00
	March	17	Received of Jas. Troxler.....	5 00
	June	17	Received of J. Julien.....	5 00
	September	1	Interest on above amounts to date.....	4 65

Total cash now in my hands.....\$60 61

I also hold the following notes belonging to this fund :

1	note on W. R. Fiske for \$5.00—paid on same \$1.00, due.....	\$4 00
1	note on J. W. Shaw for \$5.00—nothing paid, due.....	5 00
1	note on Jas. Hutchinson for \$5.00—nothing paid, due.....	5 00
1	note on Jas. Hunter for \$5.00—paid on same \$2.00, due.....	3 00
1	note on Geo. W. Tool for \$25.00—paid on same \$15.00, due.....	10 00
1	note on Nancy Miller for \$25.00—paid on same \$10.00, due.....	15 00
1	note on John Julien for \$25.00—paid on same \$15.00, due.....	10 00

The above notes are all payable in five equal annual payments, commencing January 1st, 1877. Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE HAW, Treasurer.

XV. TOBACCO.

Resolved, 1st, That we are as much as ever convinced of the growing evils resulting from the use of tobacco, and believe that it is in antagonism with the Christian life, a needless and sinful expenditure of money, and that it lessens the influence and hinders the usefulness of those who indulge in it.

Resolved, 2d, That it is the sense of this Conference that those who are received among us on the condition of their freedom from the use of tobacco should consider their pledge in this matter of perpetual obligation, and that a mere temporary cessation, followed by a resumption of the practice, is a violation of good faith.

Resolved, 3d, That we do most earnestly and affectionately entreat all of our brethren, whether ministers or laymen, to unite in earnest effort to banish this great evil from our midst.

J. B. HILL, Chairman.

XVI. TRACTS.

Resolved, 1st, That we recommend the liberal distribution of the many

Tracts published by the Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Resolved, 2d, That we urge the pastors to secure supplies of the Missionary Tracts written by Bishop Harris, and also those written by Drs. Dashiell and Reid, and that they distribute the same to all our people, especially to our School Officers and Teachers and our official members.

Resolved, 3d, That each charge take a collection for the Tract cause.

W. E. PATTERSON.

XVII. WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Whereas, The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, by its increasing activity, is demonstrating its efficiency in supplying a great need in foreign fields; and

Whereas, It is not intended to interfere with other agencies, but to assist in redeeming the world, and

Whereas, The Society has enjoyed a healthful growth in the number of its auxiliaries, membership and contributions, until it is now second to none; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That we are in hearty sympathy with its work, and will give our cordial support in forwarding the interests of the Society in the bounds of our charges.

Resolved, 2d, That we commend the earnest Christian labors of Sister Jennie Beck, and the faithful Christian women of our Conference connected with this work.

J. G. BARTON, Chairman.

STATISTICAL REPORT No 1. BURLINGTON DISTRICT.

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CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM		CHURCH PROPERTY.						CHURCH EXPENSES.							
	Probation-ers.	Full Members.	L. Preach'rs	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches	Probable Value.	Parsonages	Probable Value.	Building & Imp. Chu's & Parson g	Indebted-ness	Support of Bishops.	PASTOR.		PRESID'G ELDER.		Conference Claimants.	Sunday S. Expenses.	Sext'n and Lights.
														Claims.	Rec'pts	Claims.	Rec'pts			
Burlington—Division St.	229	1	1	1	4	8	1	\$32,000	1	\$5,000			\$25 00	\$1560 00	\$1000 00	*\$150 00	\$150 00	\$100 00		
Burlington—Old Zion	240	1	1	1	4	8	1	12,000	1	5,000			7 00	1560 00	1560 00	120 00	120 00	27 00	\$50	
Burlington—South	100	1	1	1	1	1	1	2,000	1	1,500	\$700	\$534	4 00	825 00	525 00	60 00	40 00	2 00	67	
Burlington—Circuit	100	1	1	1	1	9	2	2,000					6 00	680 00	615 00	85 00	76 00	7 00	30	
Ainsworth	230	3	5	3	5	3	1	1,800	1	1,000	30		6 00	800 00	678 79	80 00	66 47	25 00	50	58
Canaan	120	1	1	1	3	1	1	1,200				40	2 50	300 00	155 00	50 00	26 25		5	
Columbus City & Coneville	77	1	1	1	1	1	1	2,500					1 55	90 00	101 50	60 00	18 21	2 95	10	
Danville	145	2	6	15	3	5	1	5,000	1	500			2 66	800 00	800 00	100 00	100 00	13 67		
Fort Madison	130	1	6	5	1	2	1	2,000	1	1,000	15		4 00	800 00	800 00	65 00	65 00	2 00	20	
Kossuth	260	2	2	5	2	2	1	3,600	2	1,200			10 00	820 00	820 00	80 00	80 00	24 00	40	
Marshall	233	2	1	2	8	4	2	4,000	2	1,100			6 00	550 00	454 00	95 00	69 35	7 00	40	
Morning Sun	144	1	1	2	3	2 1/2	1	2,300				35		800 00	479 00	80 00	48 72	3 50	24	100
Mount Pleasant Circuit	210	2	4	2	4	4	1	8,000					6 70	750 00	557 55	75 00	55 75	10 00	22	
New London	200	2	2	1	1	3	1	3,000	1	1,500	50		4 00	775 00	662 00	70 00	53 60	3 50	17	
Wapello	94	2	1	2	1	3	1	6,000			40	80	2 00	800 00	611 00	80 00	65 08	10 00	20	45
West Point	140					1	2	1,800	1	200			3 70	420 00	260 00	90 00	58 01	2 50		
Winfield	230	1	3	9	3	3	1	4,000	1	800			8 00	600 00	465 00	90 00	70 58	5 00	22	
Mediapolis	147			10	31	3	1	5,000					5 00	825 00	545 00	75 00	55 00	20 00	25	
Tama Town and Kingston.	60					1	1	1,000						150 00	150 00	15 00	5 00		46	
Total	120	3089	15	26	50	98	40	99,200	13	18,800	835	689	104 11	13705 00	11088 84	1500 00	1233 75	265 12	488	203

KEOKUK DISTRICT.

Keokuk—Chatham Square	2	160	1	3	1	3	1	\$12,000	1	\$4,500	\$200	\$1,500	\$10 00	\$1000 00	\$1000 00	\$120 00	\$120 00	\$11 00	\$75	\$200
Keokuk First Church	10	235	2	5	3	1	1	7,000			265	975	8 00	896 00	719 00	65 00	50 00	8 50	90	151
Bentonsport	7	146	4	1	4	2	1	2,600	1	500	700		6 25	740 00	590 00	70 00	55 00	22 00	54	
Birmingham	10	248	1	6	4	2	1	5,000	1	600	65	75	9 00	560 00	560 00	75 00	75 00	15 65	3	
Bloomfield	25	188	4	4	1	1	1	2,500	1	750	140		9 00	700 00	678 00	100 00	95 00	20 00	75	125
Bloomfield Circuit	16	409	3	2	2	14	4	4,500	1	500	1,550	75	5 00	660 00	435 00	72 00	45 00	3 50	52	50
Cincinnati	202	4	6	4	2	2	1	2,100	1	700			4 00	500 00	365 00	60 00	39 66	5 00	10	
Drakeville	4	130	1	1	3	2	1	2,000	1	150	100	250	5 00	525 00	350 00	60 00	46 00	12 00	15	40
Farmington	3	120	1		13	4	1	5,000			234	200	8 00	550 00	550 00	70 00	70 00	2 00	53	64
Independent	7	231	5	1	5	3	4	7,550	1	700	18	194	6 00	500 00	435 00	70 00	60 00	5 00	15	60
Keosauqua	4	205	8	7	1	1	1	4,000	1	350	85	90	6 50	800 00	650 00	80 00	65 00	8 00		
Lebanon	7	198	1	2	19	5	1	4,500	1	600			8 00	650 00	558 83	80 00	68 41	6 59	17	
Milton	3	195	4		11	3	1	2,650	1	750	180	16	6 00	600 00	379 00	70 00	65 00	6 50	28	52
Montrose	120	2			3		1	2,500	1	200		400				60 00	17 93			
Moulton	10	207	3	3	1		2	2,600	1	500	500	70	4 50	610 00	418 00	60 00	41 35	5 00	35	
Mt. Sterling	67				2		1	1,400						100 00	82 00	25 00	23 00	1 30		
Troy	2	165	1	2	1	7	3	2,400	1	250			4 75	430 00	250 75	70 00	41 25	1 00	13	
Winchester	1	96			2	4	1	5,500	1	400	12		5 00	450 00	310 00	70 00	45 50	5 50	28	
Totals	111	3382	26	38	36	85	48	75,800	15	11,450	3,964	3,755	105 00	10271 00	8330 58	1277 00	1023 00	118 24	563	742

*For nine and one-half months' service.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE.

MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT.

Mount Pleasant	20	510	5	1	---	21	1	\$10,000	1	\$3,000	\$1,300	\$400	\$20 00	\$1150 00	\$1150 00	\$232 00	\$232 00	\$35 00	\$25	----
Agency City	21	358	5	11	13	21	3	3,000	1	600	---	35	8 00	700 00	565 00	112 00	90 50	10 00	60	----
Batavia	---	193	1	2	---	2	3	2,800	2	800	25	190	6 70	675 00	466 00	95 00	60 80	7 00	41	----
Brighton	6	176	2	---	---	1	4	3,950	1	500	145	---	---	600 00	405 00	72 00	47 00	6 75	25	----
Fairfield	60	220	4	6	---	9	1	18,000	---	---	---	---	10 00	800 00	620 00	130 00	130 00	15 00	12	----
Fairfield Circuit	1	133	---	1	2	---	5	4,000	1	300	---	---	3 50	400 00	172 00	52 00	25 80	5 25	36	\$50
Keota	---	154	1	4	---	---	4	5,000	---	---	84	913	---	712 00	599 90	77 60	55 70	4 00	16	----
Lexington	9	150	4	1	7	---	4	4,600	1	600	70	250	7 30	725 00	550 00	64 00	55 50	15 00	85	75
Martinsburgh	3	95	1	2	---	5	2	2,200	1	500	12	---	3 30	410 00	285 00	38 00	33 00	1 00	49	----
Richland	---	220	3	3	---	---	4	4,700	1	1,000	200	599	5 68	500 00	284 50	88 00	51 00	2 00	50	----
Richwoods	---	29	---	---	---	---	1	1,000	---	---	---	---	2 00	90 00	10 50	16 00	7 92	25	----	----
Salem	7	149	4	---	1	2	4	6,000	1	800	200	---	4 00	650 00	380 00	56 00	30 00	5 00	----	----
Sigourney	4	112	---	4	---	1	1	1,500	1	500	50	---	5 00	800 00	483 00	44 00	32 50	2 00	10	----
Sigourney Circuit	4	29	1	---	---	1	---	403	---	---	---	---	1 25	315 00	28 00	14 00	9 13	1 05	50	----
Washington	---	203	---	3	---	3	1	8,000	1	1,500	---	250	---	1150 00	1150 00	80 00	80 00	10 00	12	----
Webster	6	157	1	2	3	6	3	3,300	1	400	---	---	6 00	650 00	446 00	84 00	55 00	3 05	30	----
Dahlonega	---	98	3	3	---	---	2	2,000	---	---	---	---	---	500 00	327 00	40 00	35 00	5 00	----	----
Henry St. Mt. Pleasant	11	21	---	---	---	---	1	800	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	----
Totals	152	3007	35	43	31	69	46	81,250	13	10,500	2,086	2,038	82 53	10827 00	7922 30	1294 60	1030 85	127 80	501	125

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.

Muscatine	23	370	4	2	2	6	1	\$30,000	---	---	\$ 127	\$1,000	\$18 00	\$1400 00	\$1400 00	\$174 00	\$174 00	\$34 00	\$100	----
Muscatine Circuit	4	303	3	6	---	4	3	9,000	1	---	---	190	10 00	953 00	950 00	90 00	90 00	12 00	75	----
Blue Grass	7	118	1	1	---	---	3	4,500	1	\$500	4,100	---	5 00	600 00	500 00	70 00	62 50	3 00	----	----
Kosta	11	172	---	1	---	8	3	4,500	1	500	2,000	200	3 09	775 00	775 00	80 00	80 00	14 00	20	----
Lettsville	3	160	1	4	---	9	3	7,750	1	1,000	50	82	8 00	925 00	915 00	80 00	80 00	4 00	40	70
Lone Tree	---	154	1	---	1	---	3	5,100	1	500	90	130	8 00	680 00	500 00	60 00	48 00	2 50	40	----
Marengo	18	227	---	3	3	1	1	3,800	1	2,200	213	---	12 00	1300 00	1300 00	100 00	100 00	20 00	42	260
Millersburg	15	152	1	3	2	12	2	3,500	1	600	---	1,000	---	675 00	475 00	70 00	53 00	1 00	28	187
Oxford	14	176	2	2	1	21	2	6,000	1	1,000	1,050	---	5 00	680 00	680 00	75 00	60 00	3 00	35	----
Pleasant Hill	13	117	---	2	---	1	4	4,800	1	1,000	30	595	8 00	600 00	569 81	60 00	60 00	6 43	42	----
Riverside and Richmond	---	226	1	3	4	4	4	8,000	1	350	20	---	7 00	800 00	500 00	90 00	69 69	5 00	77	75
Sweetland Center	7	213	---	2	4	---	3	4,500	1	1,100	10	240	10 00	900 00	900 00	80 00	80 00	10 75	40	100
Tiffin	8	112	---	2	3	7	2	2,800	1	825	600	250	---	600 00	600 00	72 00	65 00	6 00	50	----
Victor	2	101	1	2	6	5	2	4,000	---	---	2,700	600	6 00	500 00	500 00	80 00	80 00	18 00	24	----
West Liberty	---	113	1	---	---	1	---	8,000	---	---	1,875	1,675	6 00	820 00	720 00	70 00	45 00	5 00	50	----
Williamsburg	10	140	---	2	---	10	2	2,200	1	650	---	---	4 00	600 00	550 00	60 00	50 00	3 00	50	----
Wilton	18	200	2	1	5	7	1	4,000	1	2,000	1,200	400	10 00	1050 00	1050 00	80 00	80 00	32 80	13	20
Brooklyn Circuit	39	95	1	---	5	18	1	2,509	---	---	---	---	---	500 00	307 60	25 00	23 00	-----	45	----
Totals	192	3149	19	36	36	113	41	114,950	14	12,225	14,065	6,557	122 00	14355 00	13187 41	1401 00	1220 19	180 48	771	512

STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 1. OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM		CHURCH PROPERTY.						CHURCH EXPENSES.							
	Probation-ers.	Full Mem-bers.	L. Preach'g.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Building & Imp. Chu's & Parson'g.	Indebted-ness.	Support of Bishops.	PASTOR.		PRESID'G ELDER.		Conference Claimants.	Sunday S. Expenses.	Sext'n and Lights.
														Claims.	Rec'pts	Claims.	Rec'pts			
Oskaloosa—First Church	3	240	—	4	5	1	1	\$5,000	1	\$2,000	\$ 200	—	\$10 00	\$1400 00	\$1400 00	\$100 00	\$100 00	\$15 00	80	—
Oskaloosa—Simpson	5	185	—	1	1	1	1	16,000	—	—	522	\$2,275	7 50	800 00	643 00	75 00	62 00	7 00	33	\$169
Brooklyn	23	292	—	—	1	1	1	9,000	—	—	—	2,300	10 00	1000 00	1000 00	100 00	100 00	25 00	100	—
Beacon	11	151	2	3	9	7	3	4,100	—	—	—	—	5 50	747 00	652 00	50 00	38 30	3 00	35	—
Eddyville	2	90	1	1	—	1	1	2,000	—	—	500	—	4 30	600 00	480 00	50 00	50 00	10 00	32	—
Grinnell	25	190	—	2	5	4	2	6,000	—	—	204	—	9 00	900 00	900 00	88 00	88 00	20 00	125	—
Kellogg	—	150	—	—	1	1	—	2,500	1	875	42	—	—	675 00	609 44	75 00	67 71	22 00	100	—
Lynnville	2	166	—	—	6	4	3	5,200	1	650	2,037	500	7 00	700 00	600 00	70 00	70 00	5 00	30	—
Malcom	10	90	1	1	—	—	2	6,500	—	—	500	1,200	7 00	650 00	570 00	64 00	56 00	12 00	40	—
Montezuma	9	208	—	1	1	31	1	1,600	—	800	86	—	6 00	850 00	777 50	75 00	72 20	5 53	40	100
New Sharon	11	150	—	1	4	7	3	5,100	1	800	1,155	300	6 81	700 00	700 00	68 00	68 00	7 00	52	200
Newton	—	205	—	2	2	—	1	2,000	1	600	190	640	2 25	950 00	950 00	95 00	95 00	2 70	70	—
Newton Circuit	30	246	—	3	9	44	3	4,200	1	800	30	—	6 00	700 00	670 00	95 00	95 00	12 50	30	30
North Newton Circuit	2	75	—	1	1	—	1	1,500	—	—	100	—	9 00	550 00	400 00	52 00	32 08	5 00	28	—
Otley	25	210	2	—	2	18	4	4,000	—	—	150	—	4 70	450 00	450 00	48 00	48 00	10 00	—	—
Pella	1	80	—	1	2	—	1	2,000	1	950	—	120	6 00	700 00	614 85	68 00	52 49	7 00	45	—
Granville and Peoria	10	231	—	—	—	—	3	6,000	—	—	50	—	7 00	450 00	385 87	90 00	69 13	7 00	46	—
Rose Hill	27	160	1	2	6	22	4	3,650	—	—	1,100	225	6 00	400 00	400 00	44 00	44 00	10 00	25	30
Searsboro	25	128	5	—	4	4	3	3,400	—	—	—	500	5 00	500 00	420 00	48 00	42 80	1 00	45	—
Springfield	30	267	2	1	2	60	2	3,000	1	150	75	—	5 00	612 00	475 00	60 00	46 51	4 00	25	—
Totals	251	3514	14	25	56	206	41	\$92,750	9	\$7,625	\$6,941	\$8,060	\$124 06	13334 00	13117 66	\$1415 00	\$1203 12	\$190 73	\$991	\$529

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.

Ottumwa—First Church	16	277	—	2	4	5	1	\$10,000	1	\$3,500	\$ 152	—	\$15 00	\$1250 00	\$1250 00	\$123 00	\$123 00	\$50 00	\$220	—
Ottumwa—Main Street	1	200	1	—	—	5	1	10,000	—	—	5,300	—	8 00	1250 00	1050 00	65 00	56 80	1 50	40	—
Ottumwa—Circuit	10	132	—	3	—	10	1	1,200	—	—	25	—	4 20	400 00	333 00	43 00	35 80	7 25	5	—
Albia	20	205	2	2	20	2	1	6,000	—	—	—	—	11 00	1000 00	1000 00	106 00	106 00	12 00	62	\$103
Albia Circuit	11	220	1	1	3	17	4	4,000	—	—	—	—	7 20	550 00	503 50	76 00	60 00	6 00	21	—
Attica	20	232	2	1	2	4	4	5,800	1	700	—	\$ 20	10 00	684 00	562 50	86 00	73 00	3 00	20	—
Cedar	8	238	1	3	1	1	5	4,000	1	100	71	—	8 50	661 00	556 00	82 00	69 60	7 00	50	—
Centerville	19	222	1	3	3	14	1	5,550	1	1,000	1,300	1,000	11 00	1050 00	1050 00	96 00	96 00	15 00	85	—
Chillicothe	—	146	3	1	1	2	3	2,500	—	—	—	40	6 00	600 00	465 00	74 00	54 00	4 50	30	—
Durham	33	354	1	4	1	20	6	7,000	—	—	213	175	7 50	800 00	502 50	100 00	75 00	7 00	36	—
East Melrose	4	160	1	5	1	4	2	3,500	—	—	—	—	7 00	500 00	460 00	66 00	43 50	1 50	25	—
Jerome	3	225	2	4	—	6	3	3,200	—	—	40	—	5 00	390 00	325 00	64 00	54 25	3 00	—	—
Kirkville	2	263	3	1	2	7	2	7,000	1	1,500	100	309	11 00	800 00	800 00	94 00	94 00	9 00	25	—
Knoxville	3	196	5	5	1	3	1	5,000	1	1,200	25	70	7 00	925 00	890 00	96 00	96 00	17 00	80	—
Marysville	15	200	2	1	—	12	6	5,000	1	250	1,000	200	6 00	625 00	525 00	75 00	30 00	5 00	50	—
Unionville	10	150	1	3	1	1	3	1,900	1	400	200	—	2 60	325 00	205 00	72 00	31 82	—	26	—
Totals	175	3420	26	39	40	113	44	\$1,650	7	\$8,650	\$424	1,814	124 00	11810 00	10388 40	1328 00	1082 77	148 75	775	103

STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 1.

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISM		CHURCH PROPERTY.						CHURCH EXPENSES.							
	Probation-ers.	Full Members.	L. Preach's	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonag's	Probable Value.	Build'g & Imp. Chu's & Parson's	Indebted-ness.	Support of Bishops.	PASTORS.		PRESI'G ELDER		Confer'ce Claim'ts.	Sunday S. Expenses.	Sext'n and Light.
														Claims.	Rec'pts.	Claims.	Rec'pts.			
Burlington -----	120	3,089	15	26	50	98	40	\$99,200	13	\$18,800	\$ 835	\$ 689	\$ 104,11	\$13,705,00	\$11,088,84	\$1,500,00	\$1,233,79	\$265,12	\$488	\$203
Keokuk -----	111	3,382	26	38	36	85	48	75,800	15	11,450	3,964	3,755	105,00	10,271,00	8,330,58	1,277,00	1,823,10	118,24	563	742
Mount Pleasant -----	152	3,007	35	43	31	69	46	81,250	13	10,500	2,086	2,038	82,53	10,827,00	7,922,30	1,294,60	1,030,85	127,80	501	125
Muscatine -----	142	3,149	19	36	36	113	41	114,950	14	12,225	14,065	6,357	122,00	14,355,00	13,187,41	1,401,00	1,220,19	180,48	771	512
Oskaloosa -----	251	3,514	14	25	56	206	41	92,750	9	7,625	6,941	8,060	124,06	13,334,00	13,117,66	1,415,00	1,203,12	190,73	991	529
Ottumwa -----	175	3,420	26	39	40	113	44	81,650	7	8,650	8,424	1,814	124,00	11,810,00	10,388,40	1,328,00	1,082,77	148,75	775	103
Total this year.	1001	19,561	135	207	249	684	260	\$545,600	71	\$69,350	\$36,315	\$ 227,13	\$661,70	\$74,302,00	\$64,035,19	\$3,215,60	\$6,793,80	\$766,00	\$4092	\$2214
Total last year.	1210	20,066	152	194	259	758	264	606,570	70	67,125	34,551	29,016	652,90	80,408,50	66,412,47	8,345,00	6,947,45	941,82	-----	-----
Increase -----	-----	-----	-----	33	-----	-----	6	-----	1	\$ 2,125	\$36,375	-----	\$668,80	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	\$ 330	\$351
Decrease -----	209	445	17	-----	10	74	-----	\$ 60,970	-----	-----	\$ 1,764	\$ 6,303	-----	\$6,106,50	\$2,377,28	\$192,40	\$153,65	\$175,82	-----	-----

STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 2, BURLINGTON DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Sunday Schools.														Benevolent Collections.							
	No. of S. Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars of all Ages.	15 years old and over.	Intermedi-ate.	Infant Class.	Average Att.dance.	Teachers	Ch Mem's.	Scholars C'h Mem's.	Convers'sns.	Library Books.	S. S. Class-mates t'kn	Advocates taken.	Journals taken.	Woman's F. M. S.	Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society.	Sunday School Union.	Freedm'ns Aid Society	Education.	American Bible Society.
Burlington—Division St.-----	1	30	250	95	90	65	215	23	50	---	---	800	---	---	---	\$78 10	---	---	\$2 00	\$2 00	---	---
Burlington—Old Zion-----	1	22	140	---	---	40	135	20	38	---	---	600	---	---	25	60 95	\$18 00	---	7 00	\$17 00	---	16 00
Burlington—South-----	1	25	330	80	100	150	200	22	15	---	2	---	---	250	16	1 50	1 00	50	50	75	75	50
Burlington—Circuit-----	3	28	200	140	20	40	150	20	80	15	125	---	35	6	---	22 48	5 00	2 00	7 00	4 00	6 00	2 00
Ainsworth-----	3	48	288	137	93	58	185	31	111	6	---	28	27	28	---	28 23	3 00	---	---	3 00	---	---
Canaan-----	2	20	90	50	20	---	90	20	60	15	100	---	---	---	12	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Columbus City and Coneville.	1	7	43	13	21	9	32	3	5	---	---	50	---	50	4	---	1 00	---	---	---	---	---
Danville-----	3	19	---	---	---	---	---	18	---	---	---	---	---	---	12	147 97	4 95	2 65	1 00	1 25	---	1 93
Fort Madison-----	1	15	100	30	45	25	70	15	25	20	---	---	---	50	15	17 00	---	---	---	---	1 75	---
Kossuth-----	3	25	200	140	40	20	18	25	100	8	400	---	---	---	12	101 00	21 00	3 00	2 00	14 00	6 00	---
Marshall-----	4	40	200	90	80	30	130	40	---	14	300	---	75	8	---	14 00	4 00	---	---	3 00	---	---
Mediapolis-----	3	26	238	93	81	64	208	26	87	23	300	---	---	---	21	80 38	3 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	4 00	8 00
Morning Sun-----	1	7	60	10	30	20	50	4	7	---	---	---	---	30	2	19 25	10 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	2 00	3 50
Mount Pleasant Circuit-----	4	39	277	160	68	49	184	36	79	1	---	---	---	50	1	---	4 25	---	---	2 00	2 00	---
New London-----	3	30	150	---	---	---	100	29	---	---	---	---	---	45	10	10 50	1 00	---	---	1 77	---	---
Tama Town and Kingston-----	1	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Wapello-----	3	24	140	74	48	18	128	21	18	6	150	---	---	110	4	5 25	5 00	1 50	1 00	1 50	---	2 00
West Point-----	4	27	190	121	54	15	140	22	30	1	---	---	---	15	4	---	25	35	40	1 15	---	---
Winfield-----	4	40	360	300	50	30	280	38	180	2	150	---	---	50	26	---	2 00	---	2 00	2 00	1 00	---
Total-----	46	472	3256	1533	840	633	2315	413	885	113	2975	31	787	206	---	586 61	83 45	15 00	25 90	64 42	23 50	33 93

KEOKUK DISTRICT.

Keokuk—Chatham Square-----	1	19	155	60	65	25	100	15	50	5	350	---	---	15	46 90	15 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 5 00
Keokuk—First Church-----	2	30	220	96	80	44	148	25	---	---	306	---	100	15	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Bentonsport-----	4	35	237	227	40	60	203	35	120	18	80	---	80	7	---	11 00	65	75	2 00	3 75	6 00
Birmingham-----	2	23	150	70	60	20	125	25	30	15	---	---	---	3	45 91	1 75	25	2 60	5 60	2 45	1 40
Bloomfield-----	1	20	140	60	50	30	133	20	20	15	---	---	100	20	77 96	10 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	10 00	1 00
Bloomfield Circuit-----	3	21	180	60	86	34	161	19	98	11	150	---	15	15	30 58	5 00	1 00	50	1 00	2 00	2 00
Cincinnati-----	3	18	175	100	50	25	125	14	60	6	---	---	---	---	---	25	25	30	---	---	---
Drakeville-----	2	14	100	50	30	20	75	14	30	2	---	---	46	---	5 25	2 00	0 25	1 00	4 00	1 00	1 00
Farmington-----	3	35	260	129	87	44	174	24	35	11	175	16	96	16	---	1 00	50	65	80	1 00	75
Independent-----	4	42	230	115	75	40	175	35	120	2	650	---	11	11	11 55	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Keosauqua-----	1	19	187	55	77	55	140	16	27	---	---	---	---	---	68 85	5 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	2 25	3 00
Lebanon-----	4	40	211	140	50	21	175	40	150	30	---	---	48	---	---	12 67	---	---	2 61	---	---
Milton-----	2	27	158	85	73	---	118	25	42	14	---	---	---	16	---	3 85	25	45	2 70	65	10
Montrose-----	2	45	300	145	94	61	187	39	72	---	---	---	---	15	5 50	---	---	---	---	---	50
Moulton-----	3	20	150	70	50	20	120	18	50	---	60	---	---	10	---	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	---
Troy-----	3	28	140	65	42	31	104	26	36	8	325	---	---	1	---	---	---	---	1 00	---	---
Winchester-----	4	33	140	82	29	44	101	19	46	3	76	---	74	6	---	3 80	65	85	3 55	1 30	65
Total-----	44	469	3123	1599	1038	544	2364	409	1006	140	2066	16	544	160	292 40	75 32	14 55	\$18 05	44 56	33 40	22 40

MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT.

Mount Pleasant	1	29	275	75	150	50	225	29	190	40	600	50	25	\$162 57	\$45 00	\$5 00	1 00	5 00	\$21 00	\$51 00
Agency City	2	33	240			40	210	30	120	17	400	8	120	30	52 26	3 00		3 00		
Batavia	3	33	175	62	81	32	146	21	36		135	45	25	7	5 75	1 25	2 88	2 85		1 25
Brighton	4	36	200	125		58	140	25	40	2			25	7	10 00	2 00	50	1 00		
Dahlonga	3	15	180	100	50	15	85	35	25				29	12						
Fairfield	1	31	225	111	74	40	170	30	57	30		50	50	24	41 20	10 00		5 00	10 00	8 50
Fairfield Circuit		24	225		50	27	140	21	13	12	35				3 00			3 85		
Keota	3	37	246	128	60	63	190	31	86	12	250	75	100	15	8 25	1 50	50	4 00	1 00	50
Lexington	4		200												30 00	15 00	1 00	2 00	30 00	3 00
Martinsburg	2	24	140	75	30	35	100	20	70			25	40	3	10 00	1 00		1 00	2 00	
Richland																	1 00			
Richwoods																				
Salem	4	43	218	90	104	24	173	35	6	4		25			18 18	1 25	75	1 00	1 25	1 00
Sigourney	1	20	225	65	100	60	150	19	10	2			12		16 39	1 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00
Sigourney Circuit	2	20	75	40	35		60	15			150									
Washington	1	19	185	52	96	36	110	19								2 00	200	1 00	1 00	6 00
Webster	3	24	180					24	62	73				1		2 20	50	2 20	2 25	
Total	34	388	2989	923	830	480	1904	354	715	192	1570	228	439	136	354 60	88 45	10 90	13 58	65 35	45 25

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.

Muscatine	1	71	410			42	229	41		12	1000		100	33	\$104 00	\$18 10	\$ 3 00	\$4 00	\$12 45	\$13 70	\$11 00
Muscatine Circuit	5	73	392			96	305	73		2	600			38	69 68	3 00			1 00		5 50
Blue Grass	2	18	123																		
Brooklyn Circuit	2	17	160			15	115	15	29	20		20	25	10					1 65		
Kosta	3	19	80	40	20	20	17	12	20	15			40	24	40 01	7 00	4 00	10 00	13 00	11 00	7 00
Lettsville	2	17	97	23	60	14	82	1	25	12				1	1 50	1 00	10	25	25	25	25
Lone Tree	5	46	220	140	50	30	190	38	90	1	300			10		3 00	75	75	3 00	75	
Marengo	1	24	244	60	50	133	139	18	78		600			26	35 70	1 50	1 50	1 25	6 00	2 00	25 00
Millersburg	2	18	90	40	30	20	75	17	37	7	120	20	50	10							
Oxford	2	25	200	80	70	50		21	76				65	10	13 00	1 50	1 00	1 50	3 50	1 00	1 00
Pleasant Hill	5	46	290	140	93	51	236	32	65		200		50	22		1 16			4 51	42	65
Riverside and Richmond	3	24	140	80	60		90	20	40	5		60	20			3 90			5 00		
Sweetland Center	3	35	250	125	100	25	200	30	40		150		25	15	21 59	1 50	1 00	1 00	4 00	2 00	
Tiffin	2	12	120	82	18	20	87	9	80	2	300			11	11 75					2 50	
Victor	2	26	222	40	135	47	138	22	47				20		20 08	1 60	3 00	60	1 65	85	1 20
West Liberty	1	15	70	50	30	20	68	10	15					12							
Williamsburg	5	27	160	100	60	32	97	28	70	20				14		85	15	65	1 00	50	
Wilton	1	19	130			30	123	17	25	1	200			16	16 61	2 00	90	1 03	12 84	5 66	
Total	47	532	3397	1000	776	605	2194	404	717	97	3370	40	485	274	333 92	46 11	15 40	21 03	69 85	40 63	51 60

STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 2, OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	Sunday Schools.													Benevolent Collections.								
	No. of S. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of All Ages.	16 years old and over.	Intermediate.	Infant Class.	Average Attendance.	Teachers.	C'h Mem's.	Scholars C'h mem's.	Convers'ns.	Library Books.	S. S. Class-mates t'k'n.	Advocates taken.	Journals taken.	Woman's F. M. S.	Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society.	Sunday School Union.	Freedm'n's Aid Society.	Education.	American Bible Society.
Oskaloosa—First Church	1	150	90	30	20	115	10	30	1	600	100	25	\$75 68	\$5 00			\$2 00	\$3 00				
Oskaloosa—Simpson	1	19	160	35	100	25	115	19	30	500		20	46 67	1 00			2 00	4 25				\$1 00
Brooklyn	1	19	246			47	165	18	75		3	100	41 65	5 00			2 00	2 00			4 00	14 90
Beacon	2	30	225									10	8 98	50			25			25		
Eddyville	2	14	100				100	12				6	6 75							4 50		
Granville and Peoria	3	32	184			29	146	31		65		50	1 50									
Grinnell	2	25	175	70	70	35	140	22	70		7	75	15	22 00						1 00		
Kellogg	3	36	160			55	75			250	32	32	16				1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	9 25
Lynville	4	40	200	140	50	36	160	40	35			40	12	29 49			12 00	2 30	2 31	10 00	2 00	3 91
Malcom	2	24	150	73	44	33	80	15	16	100	40	40	14				1 00			1 00		
Montezuma	1	23	185	82	70	33	148	21	45	8	40	35	21	13 35			3 20	1 15	1 15	2 71	2 43	
New Sharon	3	36	70	40		30	149	6	55			23	64 05	1 00						3 00		
Newton	1	20											1 00	2 02			1 00	1 00		3 20	5 00	1 50
Newton Circuit	5	50	258	123	82	53	215	44	114	38	60	20	12	37 25			1 00	23	30	1 75	25	
North Newton Circuit	3	15	75	50	15	10	25	15	10				6									
Otley	4	45	226	132	73	21	198	36	85			45	35	20			2 00			4 00		
Pella	1	19	142		45	43	94	16		125		75	15	26 12			1 20		50	85	85	
Rose Hill	4	20	150	100	50		100	20	60	10		15	25	15			5 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	1 00	1 50
Searsboro	5	52	195			45	150	35		15			26	50						1 00		
Springfield	3	30	225	110	78	38	200	18	90	30			10	12			2 00	40	3 00	1 40		1 00
Total	52	549	3276	1045	707	553	2375	379	715	112	1700	192	717	308	374 99	48 90	10 33	13 26	47 66	30 83	33 06	

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.

Ottumwa—First Church-----	1	24	230	95	90	45	165	23	50	6	600	30	30	25	\$110 90	35 00	\$6 00	\$2 00	\$33 00	\$7 00	\$23 00
Ottumwa—Main Street-----	2	22	200				150				300		50	12							
Ottumwa Circuit-----	4	25	200	125	50	25	150	20	65				8			1 40			1 35	1 90	
Albia-----	1	23	175	43	92	40	150	23	24	19	100			18	57 48	6 00			12 00	3 00	
Albia Circuit-----	5	52	229	98	71	49	197	46	50	17			35			50	25		2 00	80	
Attica-----	3	49	240	125	75	40	70	49	180	10	700	15	15			2 50	50	50	2 50	50	
Cedar-----	5	56	340			60	222	56					60	8		50	1 00	1 50	2 80		
Centerville-----	1	21	160	60	65	35	120	20	50	17			40	15	48 31	3 00	50	2 00	5 00	2 00	1 50
Chillicothe-----	4	20	200	125	75		160	15		3	150		6						1 00		
Durham-----	5	56	358	255	100	8	258	34	138	50	100	36	36		35 60	2 00	1 00	50	2 00	1 00	50
East Melrose-----	2	20	100	40	35	25	100	20	15			30	60	10	12 45				50		
Jerome-----	4	32	140													1 00	50	50	1 00	50	50
Kirkville-----	2	27	145	145	25	75	175	25		4	140		20	15	40 63	5 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	3 50	
Knoxville-----	1	29	175			40	140			10	300	70		14	23 42	5 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	3 00	5 00
Marysville-----	5	40	250	125	75	75	200	30	100												
Unionville-----	3	22	115	50	65		95	20	25		160		12	12							
Total-----	48	518	3257	1286	818	517	2352	384	697	136	2540	181	366	135	320 20	61 90	12 75	3 00	78 15	23 20	30 50

STATISTICAL REPORT NO. 2.

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	Sunday Schools.													Benevolent Collections.							
	No. of S. Schools. Officers and Teachers.	Scholars of all Ages.	15 years old and over.	Intermedi- ate.	Infant Class.	Average Att'dance.	Teachers C'h Mem's.	Scholars C'h mem's.	Convers'ns.	Library Books.	S. S. Class- mates tak'n	Advocates taken.	Journals taken.	Woman's F. M. S.	Board of Church Extension.	Tract Society	Sunday School Union.	Freedm'n's Aid Society	Education.	American Bible Society.	
Burlington	46	472	3,256	1533	840	633	2,315	413	885	113	2,975	31	787	206	\$586 61	\$23 45	15 00	\$25 90	64 42	\$23 50	\$33 93
Keokuk	44	469	3,123	1599	1038	574	2,364	409	1006	140	2,066	16	544	150	292 49	75 32	14 55	18 05	44 56	33 40	22 40
Mount Pleasant.....	34	388	2,989	923	830	480	1,904	354	715	192	1,570	228	439	136	354 60	88 45	10 90	13 58	65 35	45 25	68 50
Muscatine	47	532	3,397	1000	776	645	2,194	404	717	97	3,370	46	485	274	333 92	46 11	15 40	21 08	69 85	40 63	51 60
Oskaloosa	52	549	3,276	1045	707	553	2,375	379	715	112	1,700	192	717	308	374 99	48 90	10 33	13 26	47 66	30 83	33 06
Ottumwa	48	518	3,257	1286	818	517	2,352	381	697	136	2,540	181	366	135	329 29	61 90	12 75	9 00	78 15	23 20	30 50
Total this year....	271	2928	19,298	7286	5009	3402	13,504	2340	4735	795	14,321	604	3337	1209	2371 40	344 13	78 93	100 80	369 99	196 81	239 99
Total last year....	282	3011	20,466	7577	4591	3400	13,148	2707	5205	1022	14,686	600	2725	1180	1266 05	380 36	79 72	129 57	375 02	253 51	187 89
Increase.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	418	2	356	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	612	29	1005 35	.....	79	.....	.....	.....	52 10
Decrease.....	11	83	1,168	291	2	2	.....	367	570	227	355	.....	.....	.....	36 23	.....	28 75	6 08	56 70	.....	.....

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
IOWA CONFERENCE
MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

1878-79.

A. REPORT OF SECRETARY.

ANNIVERSARY.

The Thirty-Sixth Anniversary of the IOWA CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY was held in Division Street M. E. Church, Burlington, Iowa, September 3d, 1879, 7 p. m.

After Devotional Exercises, C. W. Shepherd, Assistant Treasurer, presented his report.

Dr. J. M. Reid then delivered a telling address.

ANNUAL SERMON.

On account of pressure of business there was an afternoon session of the Conference, which precluded the possibility of the Annual Sermon.

B—REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT—J. B. BLAKENEY, P. E.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per Member.
Burlington—Divis'n St.	J. C. Brown	\$175 00	\$56 94	\$231 94	\$6 94		101
Burlington—Old Zion.	C. B. Clark	70 00	55 00	125 00		\$15 00	52
Burlington—South	G. W. Byrkit	1 00	20 00	21 00	1 00		21
Burlington—Circuit	G. M. Tuttle	29 00	6 00	35 00	7 00		35
Ainsworth	O. P. Light	44 00		44 00	7 00		18
Canaan	M. See	16 45		16 45	16 45		20
Col. City and Coneville		5 10		5 10	10		7
Danville	I. N. Busby	20 70	3 30	24 00		13 00	16
Fort Madison	B. F. Karns	8 00	7 00	15 00		15 00	11
Kossuth	T. J. Myers	77 00	33 00	110 00		3 00	42
Marshall	E. J. Pike	26 32	68	27 00		15 00	12
Mediapolis	M. Bamford	47 00	25 00	72 00	2 00		40
Morning Sun	J. E. Corley	16 50	8 50	25 00	4 00		17
Mt. Pleasant Circuit	N. Wells	40 00	10 00	50 00		20 00	20
New London	J. C. Kendrick	23 00		23 00	2 75		11
Tama Town & Kingston		1 00		1 00	1 00		2
Wapello	C. F. Williams	8 24	6 76	15 00	9 50		15
West Point	A. Kershaw	15 00		15 00	6 52		10
Winfield	J. G. Thompson	66 00		66 00	20 00		29
Totals		689 31	232 18	921 49	84 26	81 00	25

KEOKUK DISTRICT.—T. E. CORKHILL, P. E.

Keokuk—Chatham Sq.	C. L. Stafford	\$65 00	\$44 00	\$109 00	\$34 00		68
Keokuk First Church	T. Stephenson	15 50	21 50	37 00	1 60		15
Bentonsport	C. W. Shepherd	33 00	7 00	40 00	10 60		27
Birmingham	J. Hunter	62 35	9 65	72 00		8 00	29
Bloomfield	J. W. Cheney	117 00	53 00	170 00	58 00		90
Bloomfield Circuit	J. W. Wright	25 00	10 00	35 00	15 00		9
Cincinnati	Wm. Thatcher	23 50		23 50	50		12
Drakeville	A. W. Haines	32 00	4 00	36 00	10 00		19
Farmington	J. S. Freeland	25 00	5 00	30 00	10 90		25
Independent	L. C. Carroll	24 50		24 50		55 50	11
Keosauqua	S. S. Murphy	30 00	20 00	50 00	12 00		24
Lebanon	J. Craig	70 80	2 20	73 00	13 00		34
Milton	W. E. Patterson	32 50	6 00	38 50	12 50		20
Montrose		14 00		14 00		7 25	12
Mt. Sterling		6 50		6 50		9 50	10
Moulton	J. F. Robertson	50 00		50 00	32 00		25
Troy	P. F. Holtzinger	35 08	437	39 45	20 45		21
Winchester	C. D. Fawcett	35 25	200	37 25		5 25	39
Totals		696 98	188 72	885 70	230 55	85 50	27

MOUNT PLEASANT DISTRICT—J. WHEELER, P. E.

Mt. Pleasant	J. T. Simmons	\$141 00	\$89 00	\$230 00	\$74 10		45
Agency City	R. B. Allender	30 00	20 25	50 25		\$30 05	18
Batavia	Geo. Swanston	40 00		40 00		4 90	21
Brighton	J. L. King	29 00		29 00	1 00		17
Dahlonaga	A. Robinson	13 00	2 00	15 00	10 00		15
Fairfield	John Haynes	64 00	8 00	72 00		5 10	36
Fairfield Circuit	J. Gassner	29 06		29 06	23 86		22
Keota	H. F. Pugh	15 00	5 00	20 00		12 75	13
Lexington	A. Latimer	100 00		100 00	38 77		67
Martinsburg	P. H. Bodkin	17 00	3 00	20 00	9 00		21
Richland	W. I. Miller	21 00		21 00	1 00		10
Richwoods	John Orr						
Salem	S. F. Bishop	19 50	50	20 00	20 00		14
Sigourney	H. H. Barton	9 00		9 00		3 65	8
Washington	J. C. W. Cox	35 00	17 00	52 00	2 00		26
Webster	John Davis	41 00		41 00	4 00		26
Sigourney Circuit	J. S. Ferguson	7 30		7 30	7 30		25
Henry Street		2 00		2 00	2 00		0
Totals		612 86	144 75	757 61	193 03	56 45	23

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—I. A. BRADRIK, P. E.

CHARGES.	PREACHERS.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per Member.
Muscatine	D. Murphy	\$121 26	\$128 74	\$250 00	\$54 63		67
Muscatine Circuit	J. B. Hill	72 68	7 32	80 00	3 98		26
Blue Grass	C. S. Jennis	7 00		7 00		\$15 00	17
Brooklyn Circuit	J. B. Hardy	24 00		24 00	24 00		27
Kosta	R. A. Carnine	55 00	335	58 35	4 03		34
Lettsville	D. C. Bevan	60 00		60 00			40
Lone Tree	S. H. Thomas	23 00		23 00	3 00		15
Marengo	G. N. Power	102 13	24 02	126 15	1 12		56
Millersburg	R. J. Kenyon	4 00	1 00	5 00			3
Oxford	D. A. Watters	25 98	8 27	34 25		35 75	20
Pleasant Hill	O. C. Shelton	53 85	50	54 35	4 35		46
Riverside & Richmond	W. H. Honn	30 00	5 00	35 00		25 00	15
Sweetland Center	A. McClintock	54 00	4 00	58 00		22 00	27
Tiffin	E. Sampson	2 50	21 50	24 00		6 00	23
Victor	G. W. Story	38 60	5 40	44 00	998		31
West Liberty	A. V. Francis	9 00	6 00	15 00		1 20	13
Williamsburg	J. M. Mann	28 80		28 80	4 30		20
Wilton	U. B. Smith	56 25	38 00	94 25		69 80	49
Totals		768 05	253 10	1021 15	109 39	174 75	29

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—D. C. SMITH, P. E.

Oskaloosa First Church	W. H. H. Pillsbury	\$44 00	\$36 00	\$80 00		\$20 00	33
Oskaloosa—Simpson	W. G. Thorne	20 00	13 06	33 06	\$2 06		18
Brooklyn	E. L. Schreiner	44 00	56 00	100 00	20 00		38
Beacon	A. C. Keeler	26 50		26 50	5 40		23
Eddyville	J. T. McFarland	18 85	5 15	24 00	8 00		27
Grinnell	W. F. Cowles	75 00		75 00		80 47	40
Kellogg	C. P. Reynolds	36 85	9 15	46 00		7 50	30
Lynville	B. F. Shane	60 00		60 00	3 00		51
Malcom	A. V. Kendrick	23 00		23 00		12 00	26
Montezuma	L. O. Housel	94 46	13 04	107 50	50		62
New Sharon	S. R. Ferguson	41 20		41 20	3 96		24
Newton	F. W. Evans	20 00	11 00	31 00			
Newton Circuit	E. P. Michener	107 00	3 00	110 00			56
North Newton Circuit	J. A. Cooke	30 00		30 00		20 35	40
Otley	L. M. Hartley	50 00		50 00	46 50		25
Pella	J. W. Robinson	25 00		25 00		11 65	31
Peoria and Granville	J. M. Coats	29 00		29 00		36 10	13
Rose Hill	I. O. Kimble	23 00		28 00	12 95		18
Searsboro		27 20		27 20		2 29	20
Springfield	C. Morey	43 00	2 00	50 00	29 50		28
Totals		848 06	148 40	996 46	131 87	239 61	31

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—B. MARK, P. E.

Ottumwa—First Church	J. W. McDonald	\$120 00	\$150 00	\$270 00	\$12 00		98
Ottumwa—Main Street	I. P. Teter	12 00		12 00	\$ 6 00		6
Ottumwa Circuit	S. S. Martin	21 75	2 25	24 00	13 00		18
Albia	W. G. Wilson	130 00	13 00	143 00		57 00	71
Albia Circuit	John Potter	43 78	1 22	45 00	23 00		20
Attica	W. H. H. Smith	165 00	10 00	175 00		66 15	75
Cedar	Geo. Nulton	47 25	5 50	52 75	12 75		23
Centerville	H. E. Wing	25 00	11 00	36 00		23 33	16
Chillicothe	C. R. Norton	16 00		16 00	3 00		10
Durham	C. H. Montgomery	77 75	2 25	80 00	16 00		23
East Melrose	W. A. Nye	12 00		12 00	4 00		7
Jerome	J. H. Hard	6 00	16 00	22 00	7 00		9
Kirkville	W. I. Graham	44 00	7 50	51 50	1 50		20
Knoxville	J. G. Barton	65 47	14 53	80 00	5 00		41
Marysville	A. R. Jones	20 00		20 00	7 00		10
Unionville		20 00		20 00		7 00	31
Totals		826 00	233 25	1059 25	104 25	159 48	29

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	PRESIDING ELDERS.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase	Decrease.	Average pr Member.
Burlington	J. B. Blakeney	\$689 31	\$232 18	\$921 49	\$ 3 26	-----	25
Keokuk	T. E. Corkhill	696 98	188 72	885 70	145 05	-----	27
Mt. Pleasant	John Wheeler	612 86	144 75	757 61	136 58	-----	23
Muscatine	L. A. Bradrick	768 05	253 10	1021 15	-----	\$65 36	29
Oskaloosa	D. C. Smith	843 06	143 40	996 46	-----	107 74	31
Ottumwa	B. Mark	826 00	233 25	1059 25	-----	55 23	29
Totals	-----	4441 26	1200 40	5641 66	284 89	228 33	27 $\frac{1}{2}$
Net Increase	-----	-----	-----	-----	56 65	-----	-----

Treasurer of the Iowa Conference Missionary Society :

To Amount of Collections from Charges	\$5,641.66	-----
To Amount on hand at last Report	117.20	-----
By Cash paid Hitchcock & Walden, Sept. 6th, 1879	-----	\$4,897.43
By Cash forwarded during the year	-----	728.95
By Cash on hand to balance, Sept. 6th 1879	-----	132.48
Totals	5,758.86	5,758.86

By **C. W. SHEPHERD,**
Assistant, Burlington, Sept. 6th. 1879.

B. MARK.
Treasurer.

VIII. APPOINTMENTS.

NOTE.—The Deacons are indicated by a * and the Probationers by a †. The figures denote the number of years in the appointment.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—J. B. BLAKENEY, P. E., 4.

Burlington, First Church—S. McChesney, 2.	Kossuth—T. J. Myers, 3.
Burlington, South Church—G. W. Byrkit, 2.	Marshall—E. J. Pike, 3.
Burlington Circuit—G. M. Tuttle, 2.	Morning Sun—J. E. Corley, 2.
Ainsworth—N. Wells, 1.	Mount Pleasant Circuit—O. P. Light, 1.
Canaan—M. See, 2.	New London—I. N. Busby, 1.
Columbus City and Coneville—To be supplied by J. W. Lewis, 1.	Wapello—F. R. Holcomb, † 1.
Danville—J. G. Thompson, 1.	West Point—To be supplied by L. D. Younkin.
Fort Madison—B. F. Karns, 3.	Winfield—J. C. Kendrick, 1.
	Mediapolis—M. Bamford—3.

KEOKUK DISTRICT.—T. E. CORKHILL, P. E., 3.

Keokuk, Chatham Square—C. L. Stafford, 2.	Drakeville—W. E. Patterson, 1.
Keokuk, First Church—T. Stephenson, 2.	Independent—C. W. Shepherd, 1.
Bentonsport—J. W. Wright, 1.	Keosauqua—S. S. Murphy, 2.
Birmingham—J. Hunter, 2.	Lebanon—J. Craig, 2.
Bloomfield—J. W. Cheney, 2.	Milton—L. C. Carroll, 1.
Bloomfield Circuit—A. W. Haines, 2.	Montrose—A. H. Dunlavy, † 1.
Farmington—J. S. Freeland, 2.	Moulton—J. F. Robertson, * 2.
Cincinnati—W. S. Hurt, 1—one to be supplied.	Portland—To be supplied.
	Troy—P. F. Holzinger, 2.
	Winchester—C. D. Fawcett, * 3.

MOUNT PLEASANT DISTRICT.—JOHN WHEELER, P. E., 4.

Mount Pleasant, First Church—W. H. H. Pillsbury, 1.	Keota—H. F. Pugh, 2.
Mount Pleasant, University charge—J. T. McFarland—1.	Lexington—A. Latimer, 2.
Agency City—J. L. King, 1.	Martinsburgh—John Orr, 1.
Batavia—W. I. Miller, 1.	Richland—G. Swanston, 1.
Brighton—J. Davis, 1; J. T. Coleman, 1.	Richwoods—To be supplied.
Dahlonega—A. Robinson, 2.	Salem—S. F. Bishop, † 2.
Fairfield—J. Haines, 3.	Sigourney—H. H. Barton, † 1.
Fairfield Circuit—P. H. Bodkin, † 1.	Sigourney Circuit—To be supplied.
	Washington—J. W. McDonald, 1.
	Webster—H. E. Wycoff.

W. J. Spaulding, President of Iowa Wesleyan University, member of the First charge Quarterly Conference.

G. W. F. Willey, Professor in Iowa Wesleyan University, member of First Church Quarterly Conference.

S. W. Siberts, Missionary to Mexico.

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.—I. A. BRADICK, P. E., 4.

Muscatine—Dennis Murphy, 2.
Muscatine Circuit—J. B. Hill, 2.
Blue Grass—C. S. Jennis, 2.
Kosta—D. A. Waters, 1.
Lettsville—W. H. Honn, 1.
Lone Tree—S. H. Thomas, 2.
Marengo—G. N. Power, 2.
Millersburg—O. C. Shelton, 1.
Oxford—A. McClintock, 1.
Pleasant Hill—J. M. Mann.

Riverside and Richmond—E. Sampson, 1.
Sweetland Center—D. C. Bevan, 1.
Tiffin—R. J. Kenyon, 1.
Victor—G. W. Story, † 2.
West Liberty—A. V. Francis, 2.
Williamsburg—To be supplied.
Wilton—U. B. Smith, 3.
Brooklyn Circuit—J. B. Hardy, 2.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.—E. L. SCHREINER, P. E., 1.

Oskaloosa, First Church—J. C. W. Coxe, 1.
Oskaloosa, Simpson—R. A. Car-nine, 1.
Brooklyn—D. C. Smith, 1.
Beacon—A. C. Keeler, 2.
Eddyville—W. E. Howe, † 1.
Grinnell—W. F. Cowles, 2.
Kellogg—C. P. Reynolds, 3.
Lynville—B. F. Shane, 2.
Malcom—S. R. Ferguson, 1.
Montezuma—L. O. Housel, 2.

New Sharon—A. V. Kendrick, 1.
Newton—F. W. Evans, 2.
Newton Circuit—E. P. Michenor, 2.
North Newton Circuit—J. A. Cooke, 2.
Otley—L. M. Hartley, † 2.
Pella—W. G. Thorn, 1.
Granville and Peoria—A. R. Jones, 1.
Rose Hill—I. O. Kemble, 2.
Searsboro—S. C. Smith, † 2.
Springfield—C. Morey, 2.

S. P. Craver, Missionary to Mexico.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.—B. MARK, P. E., 4.

Ottumwa, First Church—C. B. Clark, 1.
Ottumwa, Main Street—J. G. Barton, 1.
Ottumwa Circuit—O. J. McFadden, † 1.
Albia—W. G. Wilson, 2.
Albia Circuit—E. S. Daly, † 1.
Attica—C. H. Montgomery, 1.
Cedar—W. H. H. Smith, 1.

Centerville, H. E. Wing, 3.
Chillicothe—C. R. Norton, 3.
Durham—G. Nulton, 1.
Melrose—S. S. Martin, 1.
Jerome—A. Kershaw, 1.
Kirkville—I. P. Teter, 1.
Knoxville—J. W. Robinson, 1.
Marysville—J. H. Hard, 1.
Unionville—J. Potter, 1.

J. T. Simmons, Agent of the Iowa Wesleyan University and member of First Church Quarterly Conference, Ottumwa.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ELECTORAL CONFERENCE OF LAYMEN, TO THE IOWA CONFERENCE.

BURLINGTON, IOWA, SEPTEMBER 5th, 1879.

The Delegates to the Electoral Conference of Laymen of the Iowa Annual Conference met at Old Zion Church at 9:00 A. M., and was called to order by Hon. James Harlan, who nominated Jacob Kaughman, of Mount Pleasant, as Temporary Chairman, and William Wilson, of Washington, was made Temporary Secretary.

On motion the following Committees, consisting of one from each Presiding Elder's District, were appointed:

ON CREDENTIALS.

S. J. Eads, of Burlington District.
James Harlan, of Mount Pleasant District.
G. S. Dolby, of Muscatine District.
W. S. Medes, of Keokuk District.
R. Dixon, of Oskaloosa District.
Joshua Marshall, of Ottumwa District.

ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

John M. Gregg, Burlington District.
I. S. Nash, Mount Pleasant District.

A. D. Cooling, Muscatine District.
S. H. Norris, Keokuk District.
A. W. Thompson, Oskaloosa District.
W. S. Johnson, Ottumwa District.

ON BUSINESS.

George Huston, Burlington District.
J. Elrod, Mount Pleasant District.
John Mahin, Muscatine District.
W. A. Work, Keokuk District.
C. F. Craver, Oskaloosa District.
Charles Lawrence, Ottumwa District.

A recess of ten minutes was taken, and upon reassembling, the Committee on Credentials made the following report, which was adopted:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT.

William Stewart, Fort Madison.
J. M. Gregg, Danville.
Moses Brown, West Point.
C. T. Patterson, South Burlington.
J. S. Adams, Ainsworth.
J. Q. Walker, Burlington Circuit.
G. Rhodes, Kossuth Circuit.
A. Miltonberger, New London.
N. P. Darbyshire, Marshall Circuit.
A. Baxter, Canaan Circuit.
George Huston, Mediapolis.
George Sweeny, Division Street, Burlington.
S. J. Eads, Old Zion, Burlington.
J. Kauffman, Mount Pleasant Circuit.
W. C. Bryant, Winfield.

MOUNT PLEASANT DISTRICT.

J. Larson, Batavia.
P. N. Woods, Fairfield Station.
John Elrod, Lexington Circuit.
L. Hollingsworth, Sigourney.
I. S. Nash, Keota Circuit.
Hon. James Harlan, Mount Pleasant.
William Wilson, Jr., Washington.
C. Carr, Riverside.

OTTUMWA DISTRICT.

W. S. Johnson, Centerville.
Robert Turner, East Melrose.
H. L. Dashiell, Albia.
Charles Lawrence, First Church, Ottumwa.
S. L. Collins, Knoxville.
G. W. Bowen, Main Street, Ottumwa.
W. K. Rouze, Durham Circuit.
J. Marshall, Kirkville.
D. Sherwood, Attica.

KEOKUK DISTRICT.

J. M. Bryant, Birmingham.
S. N. Norris, Milton.
William Clavridge, Independent.
Elijah Johnson, Cincinnati Circuit.
J. Light, Montrose Circuit.
E. W. Travil, Farmington.
W. A. Work, Keosauqua.
J. McCarty, Bloomfield.
W. J. Medes, Keokuk.

MUSCATINE DISTRICT.

J. B. Downer, Sweetland Center Circuit.
W. W. Orris, Victor.
F. S. Luntz, Pleasant Hill.
A. A. Cooling, Wilton.
Charles E. Thompson, Marengo.
J. P. Moore, Williamsburg.
A. Cooley, West Liberty.
E. S. Daley, Williamsburg.
G. W. Olds, Lone Tree.
John Mahin, Muscatine.
Fred Van Lew, Blue Grass.

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT.

R. Dixon, Newton.
M. W. White, Simpson, Oskaloosa.
S. C. Smith, Searsboro.
D. L. Losson, Kellogg.
A. Branson, Springfield.
C. F. Craver, Grinnell.
S. McMullen, First Charge, Oskaloosa.
S. W. Castor, Granville.
A. W. Thompson, Brooklyn.
F. A. Kilbourne, Montezuma.
Jacob Keogler, Rose Hill.
Harrison Dryden, Lynnville.

On motion the Conference adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

The Lay Conference met at 2 p. m., pursuant to adjournment. The session was opened with prayer by Rev. C. W. Smith.

The Committee on Permanent Organization made the following report, which was adopted:

For Chairman, James Harlan, Secretaries, W. A. Work and Charles F. Craver.

The Committee on Business reported the following Order of Business:

First—That we hear the greeting of the Iowa Annual Conference as represented by their Committee.

Second—That we proceed to elect two delegates and two alternates to attend the General Conference.

Third—That we transact any other business properly coming before the Conference.

Upon motion, the report was adopted.

Rev. J. T. Simmons and W. G. Wilson were introduced as a committee to extend the greeting of the Iowa Annual Conference to this body.

Brother Simmons addressed the Conference.

On motion of W. J. Medes, Wm. Wilson and L. Hollingsworth were appointed to act as Tellers.

An informal ballot was taken for Delegates to the General Conference, with the following result.

John C. Power	5
John Mahin	6
Dr. Hurst	5
J. Kauffman	1
Wm. Wilson, Jr.	11
James Harlan	9
F. T. Campbell	9
W. B. Bonifield	1
D. H. Emery	9
W. A. Work	4
John Elrod	1
George Sweeney	3
M. M. Walden	1
Total	65

On motion the Conference proceeded to ballot for one Delegate, with the following result:

First ballot, no choice.

Second ballot, no choice.

On motion it was ordered that two persons be voted for on each ballot as delegates.

Third ballot, no choice.

The fourth ballot stood :

F. T. Campbell	37
William Wilson, Jr.,	36
John Mahin	22
John C. Power	21
D. H. Emery	14

F. T. Campbell and William Wilson, Jr., having received a majority of all the votes cast, were declared elected; and, on motion, John Mahin as first, and John C. Power as second, were elected as Alternates.

Dr. Dandy, agent of the Garrett Biblical Institute, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of that Institute.

Rev. O. J. Squires, agent of the American Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of that Society.

On motion, Hon. James Harlan was appointed to convey the greetings of this body to the Iowa Annual Conference.

The following resolutions were adopted :

First—That we request the Presiding Bishop of the Iowa Annual Conference to reduce the number of Presiding Elder Districts to four.

Second—That we are in favor of enlarging the bounds of the Presiding Elders' Districts, and changing the duties of that office so that the Presiding Elder will be required to visit the preacher's charge but twice each year, first for the purpose of organizing the work, and second for closing it up.

Third—That we favor the introduction of Lay representation in the Annual Conference.

Fourth—We are informed that on the division of the Iowa Conference, in 1855, there was a contract that when the Upper Iowa Conference was settled up so that its towns should be equal or superior to those of the Iowa Conference in population, the cities of Davenport and Iowa City should fall into the Iowa Conference; therefore, be it

Resolved, That our delegates to the General Conference be instructed to use their influence to secure the fulfillment of this alleged contract.

Resolved, That we are in favor of continuing the itinerancy in the Methodist Episcopal Church as it now exists.

Fifth—That we, as members of this Lay Conference, are as much as ever in favor of our beloved Methodism, and hereby pledge ourselves to its encouragement and support.

Sixth—That we hereby express our thanks to the citizens of this city for the kindness shown to the members of this body.

On motion, the Secretaries were instructed to present a copy of the resolution adopted by this body in regard to its desire to have the number of Presiding Elders' Districts diminished, to the Presiding Bishop of the Iowa Annual Conference, now in session; also to furnish a copy of the

proceedings of this body to the Secretary of the Iowa Annual Conference for publication in the Minutes of the Conference; also to the *Central Christian Advocate* for publication.

The Secretaries were instructed to furnish a copy to each of our Lay Delegates of the resolution adopted in regard to the boundary line between the Upper Iowa and the Iowa Conferences.

Rev. O. J. Squires pronounced the benediction, and the Conference adjourned *sine die*.

JAS. HARLAN, Chairman.

W. A. WORK,
CHAS. F. CRAVER, } Secretaries.

CONFERENCE ROLL AND RECORD.

1879.

N. B.—“E” is for Effective Elder; “D” for Deacon; “p” for Probationers; “Sy” for Supernumerary; “Sup” for Superannuated. All Post Offices in SMALL CAPITALS are out of the bounds of the Iowa Conference.

NAMES.	Entered Itinerancy.	CONFERENCE.	Entered Iowa Conference.	P. O. ADDRESS.	COUNTY.
Allender, R. B.	Sup 1854	Iowa	1854	Agency City	Wapello
Barnford, Morris	E 1871	“	1871	Mediapolis	Des Moines
Barton, Harry H.	P 1879	“	1879	Sigourney	Keokuk
Barton, James G.	E 1868	“	1868	Ottumwa	Wapello
Bevan, David C.	E 1871	“	1871	Sweetland Center	Muscatine
Bishop, Samuel F.	P 1878	“	1878	Salem	Henry
Blakeney, James B.	E 1852	West Virginia	1870	Burlington	Des Moines
Bodkin, Patrick H.	P 1878	Iowa	1878	Fairfield	Jefferson
Bradrick, Isalah A.	E 1851	Ohio	1856	Mt. Pleasant	Henry
Burgess, John	Sup 1844	North Ohio	1865	Keokuk	Lee
Busby, Isaac N.	E 1868	Iowa	1868	New London	Henry
Byrkitt, George W.	E 1857	“	1857	Burlington	Des Moines
Carnine, Robert A.	E 1873	“	1873	Oskaloosa	Mahaska
Carroll, Lafayette C.	E 1874	“	1874	Milton	Van Buren
Cheney Joseph W.	E 1869	“	1869	Bloomfield	Davis
Clark, Charles B.	E 1864	“	1864	Ottumwa	Wapello
Clark, Geo. H.	Sy 1857	“	1851	“	“
Coats, J. M.	Sy 1860	“	1860	Granville	Mahaska
Coleman, James T.	E 1847	“	1847	Brighton	Washington
Cooke, Joseph A.	E 1879	“	1877	Newton	Jasper
Corkhill, Thomas E.	E 1857	“	1857	Mt. Pleasant	Henry
Corley, Joseph E.	E 1871	“	1871	Morning Sun	Louisa
Cowles, William F.	E 1843	Michigan	1851	Grinnell	Poweshiek
Coxe, J. C. Watson	E 1864	Vermont	1874	Oskaloosa	Mahaska
Craig, Jesse	E 1845	Pittsburg	1855	Lebanon	Van Buren
Craver, Samuel P.	E 1875	Iowa	1875	GUANAJUATO	Mexico
Daly, Eugene S.	P 1879	“	1879	Albia	Monroe
Davis, John	E 1869	New Connection Can	1871	Brighton	Washington
Dunlavy, A. H.	P 1879	Iowa	1879	Montrose	Lee
Evans, F. W.	E 1851	“	1851	Newton	Jasper
Fawcett, Colenson D.	D 1877	“	1877	Winchester	Van Buren
Ferguson, J. S.	Sy 1865	“	1865	Mt. Pleasant	Henry
Ferguson, Samuel	E 1872	Des Moines	1874	Malcom	Poweshiek
Francis, Arthur V.	E 1872	Iowa	1872	West Liberty	Muscatine
Freeland, John S.	E 1871	West Virginia	1876	Farmington	Van Buren
Gassner, Joseph	Sy 1836	Ohio	1854	Mt. Pleasant	Henry
Haines, Aaron W.	E 1869	Iowa	1869	Bloomfield	Davis
Hard, Jacob H.	E 1875	“	1875	Marysville	Marion
Hardy, Joshua B.	E 1843	Rock River	1844	Brooklyn	Poweshiek
Harris, John	Sup 1845	Iowa	1845	Corning	Adams
Hartley, Levi M.	P 1878	“	1878	Otley	Marion
Hayden, John	Sup 1841	Rock River	1844	Libertyville	Jefferson
Haynes, James	Sup 1855	Iowa	1855	OMAHA	Nebraska
Haynes, John	E 1857	“	1875	Fairfield	Jefferson

CONFERENCE ROLL AND RECORD—Continued.

NAMES.	Entered Itinerary.	CONFERENCE.	Entered Iowa Conference.	P. O. ADDRESS.	COUNTY.
Hestwood, Samuel.....	Sup	1853 Iowa	1853 Victor	Iowa	Iowa
Hill, John B.....	E	1852 West Virginia	1857 Muscatine	Muscatine	Muscatine
Holcomb, Frank R.....	P	1879 Iowa	1879 Wapello	Louisa	Louisa
Holland, Benjamin.....	Sup	1853 " "	1853 Mt Pleasant	Henry	Henry
Holtzinger, Peter F.....	E	1843 Ohio	1854 Troy	Davis	Davis
Honn, Wm H.....	E	1867 Iowa	1867 Lettsville	Louisa	Louisa
Housel, Lauren O.....	E	1873 " "	1873 Montezuma	Poweshiek	Poweshiek
Howe, William E.....	P	1879 " "	1879 Eddyville	Wapello	Wapello
Hunter, James.....	E	1873 " "	1873 Birmingham	Van Buren	Van Buren
Hurt, William S.....	E	1874 " "	1874 Cincinnati	Appanoose	Appanoose
Jennis, Chesly S.....	E	1859 " "	1859 Blue Grass	Scott	Scott
Johnson, Allen W.....	Sup	1843 Rock River	1844 Dudley	Wapello	Wapello
Jones, Alvin R.....	E	1872 Iowa	1872 Granville	Mahaska	Mahaska
Karnes, Benjamin F.....	E	1871 " "	1871 Fort Madison	Lee	Lee
Keeler, Augustus C.....	E	1873 " "	1873 Beacon	Mahaska	Mahaska
Kemble, Ira O.....	E	1865 " "	1865 Rose Hill	Mahaska	Mahaska
Kendrick, Americus V.....	E	1873 " "	1873 New Sharon	Mahaska	Mahaska
Kendrick, John C.....	E	1869 " "	1869 Winfield	Henry	Henry
Kenyon, Randall J.....	E	1867 " "	1867 Tiffin	Johnson	Johnson
Kenshaw, Andrew.....	E	1874 " "	1874 Jerome	Appanoose	Appanoose
King, James L.....	E	1870 " "	1870 Agency	Wapello	Wapello
Kirkpatrick, Thos M.....	Sup	1837 Rock River	1844 Bedford	Washington	Washington
Latimer, A.....	E	18 Illinois	1877 Lexington	Henry	Henry
Light, Oliver P.....	E	1852 " "	1867 Mt. Pleasant	Johnson	Johnson
Mann, James M.....	E	1866 Iowa	1866 Amish	Mahaska	Mahaska
Mark, Banner.....	E	1846 Ohio	1860 Oskaloosa	Monroe	Monroe
Martin, Sebern S.....	D	1877 Iowa	1877 Melrose	Des Moines	Des Moines
McChesney, Simon.....	E	" "	1879 Burlington	Johnson	Johnson
McClintock, Alfred.....	E	1865 Upper Iowa	1870 Oxford	Lee	Lee
McCutchen, James H.....	Sup	1839 Ohio	1857 New Boston	Washington	Washington
McDonald, J. Wilbur.....	D	1866 Iowa	1866 Washington	Henry	Henry
McDowell, Joseph.....	Sup	1830 Ohio	1849 Mt. Pleasant	Monroe	Monroe
McFadden, Oscar J.....	P	1878 Iowa	1878 Ottumwa	Henry	Henry
McFarland, John T.....	E	1873 " "	1873 Mt. Pleasant	Newton	Newton
Michener, Enoch P.....	E	1872 " "	1872 Newton	Jefferson	Jefferson
Miller, William J.....	E	1866 " "	1866 Batavia	Marion	Marion
Montgomery, Charles H.....	E	1873 " "	1873 Attica	Keokuk	Keokuk
Morey, Cyrus.....	E	1851 West Virginia	1855 Springfield	Muscatine	Muscatine
Murphy, Dennis.....	E	1858 Iowa	1858 Muscatine	Van Buren	Van Buren
Murphy, Samuel S.....	E	1868 " "	1868 Keosauqua	Des Moines	Des Moines
Myers, Thomas J.....	E	1869 " "	1869 Kossuth	Wapello	Wapello
Norton, Charles R.....	E	1872 " "	1872 Chillicothe	Marion	Marion
Nultou, George.....	E	1869 " "	1869 Durham	Keokuk	Keokuk
Orr, John.....	E	1859 " "	1859 Martinsburg	Davis	Davis
Patterson, William E.....	E	1871 " "	1871 Drakeville	Henry	Henry
Pike, Elias J.....	E	1868 " "	1868 Marshall	Henry	Henry
Pillsbury, W. H. H.....	E	1867 New Hampshire	1871 Mt. Pleasant	Washington	Washington
Poston, William.....	Sy	1855 Iowa	1855 Lexington	Appanoose	Appanoose
Potter, John.....	E	1870 " "	1870 Unionville	Iowa	Iowa
Power, George N.....	E	1856 " "	1856 Marengo	Keokuk	Keokuk
Pugh, Henry F.....	E	1873 " "	1873 Keota	Jasper	Jasper
Reynolds, C Perry.....	E	1853 " "	1853 Kellogg	Van Buren	Van Buren
Rice, Joseph P.....	Sy	1871 South East Indiana	1873 Milton	Appanoose	Appanoose
Robertson, James F.....	D	1877 Iowa	1877 Moulton	Wapello	Wapello
Robinson, Anthony.....	E	1836 Indiana	1857 Ottumwa	Marion	Marion
Robinson, John W.....	E	1869 Iowa	1869 Knoxville	Mahaska	Mahaska
Robinson, Richard S.....	Sup	1829 Illinois	1854 Oskaloosa	Marion	Marion
Runyen, Harrison.....	Sup	1860 Iowa	1860 Marysville	Washington	Washington
Sampson, Ezekiel.....	E	1871 " "	1871 Richmond	Poweshiek	Poweshiek
Schreiner, Edwin L.....	E	1865 " "	1865 Brooklyn	Washington	Washington
See, Michael.....	E	1845 " "	1845 Crawfordville	Jasper	Jasper
Shane, Benjamin F.....	E	1869 " "	1869 Lynnville	Iowa	Iowa
Shelton, Orville C.....	E	1836 Ohio	1852 Millersburg	Van Buren	Van Buren
Shepherd, Charles W.....	E	1868 Iowa	1868 Hickory	Mexico	Mexico
Siberts, S. Wesley.....	E	1875 " "	1875 MIRAFLORES	Wapello	Wapello
Simmons, John T.....	E	1856 " "	1856 Ottumwa		

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NAMES.	Entered Itinerary.	CONFERENCE.	Entered Iowa Itinerary.	P. O. ADDRESS.	COUNTY.
Smith, David C.....	E 1864	Iowa.....	1864	Brooklyn.....	Poweshick...
Smith, Uriah B.....	E 1867	".....	1867	Milton.....	Muscatine...
Smith, S. C.....	P 1879	".....	1879	Searsboro.....	Mahaska...
Smith, W. H. H.....	E 1868	".....	1868	Cedar.....	Mahaska...
Spalding, Wesley J.....	E 1854	Indiana.....	1856	Mt. Pleasant.....	Henry.....
Stafford, Charles L.....	E 1870	Iowa.....	1870	Keokuk.....	Lee.....
Stephenson, Thomas.....	E 1864	South Illinois.....	1867	Keokuk.....	Lee.....
Storey, George W.....	P 1878	Iowa.....	1878	Victor.....	Iowa.....
Stryker, Almond W.....	Sup 1850	Indiana.....	1856	Victor.....	Iowa.....
Swanston, George.....	E 1869	New Connecti'n Can.	1871	Richland.....	Keokuk.....
Teter, Issac P.....	E 1853	Iowa.....	1853	Kirkville.....	Wapello.....
Thomas, Samuel H.....	E 1860	".....	1860	Lone Tree.....	Johnson.....
Thompson, James G.....	E 1853	".....	1853	Danville.....	Des Moines..
Thorn, William G.....	E 1867	".....	1867	Pella.....	Monroe.....
Tuttle, George M.....	E 1870	Vermont.....	1876	Burlington.....	Des Moines..
Twining, Edward W.....	E 1846	Iowa.....	1846	CORNING.....	Adams.....
Warning, Edmund H.....	Sy 1849	Baltimore.....	1857	ALTOONA.....	Polk.....
Walters, Dennis A.....	E 1874	Iowa.....	1874	Kaska.....	Iowa.....
Wells, Nelson.....	E 1854	".....	1854	Ainsworth.....	Washington..
Wheeler, John.....	E 1855	North Ohio.....	1870	Mt. Pleasant.....	Henry.....
Willey, Geo. F. W.....	E 1874	Iowa.....	1874	Mt. Pleasant.....	Henry.....
Wilson, William G.....	E 1870	".....	1870	Albia.....	Monroe.....
Wing, Henry E.....	E 1873	".....	1873	Centerville.....	Appanoose...
Woodford, Lucas C.....	Sup 1848	".....	1848	Davenport.....	Scott.....
Wright, John W.....	E 1872	South Illinois.....	1876	Bentonsport.....	Van Buren..
Mykoff, Hardy E.....	P 1879	Iowa.....	1879	Webster.....	Keokuk.....

SUMMARY

Elders,	121
Deacons,	5
Total Members,	126
Probationers,	11
Total number of Preachers	137
Total last year	132
Increase.....	5
Supernumeraries	5
Superannuates	17
Effective Preachers	115
Increase of Effective Preachers	7

SESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE.

YEAR.	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SEC'Y.
1844	August 14 to August 19	Iowa City	Morris	H. W. Reed
1845	September 3 to September 8	Burlington	Morris	" "
1846	" 2 to " 7	Bloomington	Hamlin	" "
1847	" 1 to " 7	Mt. Pleasant	Waugh	" "
1848	August 23 to August 28	Dubuque	Morris	Jos. Brooks
1849	" 8 to " 13	Fort Madison	Janes	H. W. Reed
1850	" 7 to " 12	Fairfield	Hamlin	L. Taylor
1851	" 6 to " 11	Davenport	Waugh	J. G. Dimmitt
1852	September 29 to October 4	Burlington	Ames	M. H. Hare
1853	" 28 to " 4	Oskaloosa	Scott	Jos. Brooks
1854	" 27 to " 4	Dubuque	Morris	" "
1855	" 26 to " 3	Keokuk	Simpson	H. W. Reed
1856	" 24 to September 30	Mt. Pleasant	Janes	Jos. Brooks
1857	" 24 to " 26	Des Moines	Ames	E. L. Briggs
1858	" 8 to " 14	Fairfield	Morris	E. H. Waring
1859	" 7 to " 12	Muscatine	Simpson	" "
1860	August 29 to " 3	Oskaloosa	Janes	" "
1861	" 21 to August 26	Burlington	Scott	" "
1862	September 10 to September 15	Washington	Baker	" "
1863	" 9 to " 14	Newton	Ames	" "
1864	" 14 to " 19	Keokuk	Janes	" "
1865	" 27 to October 2	Mt. Pleasant	Janes	" "
1866	" 26 to " 1	Knoxville	Ames	" "
1867	" 18 to September 23	Ottumwa	Scott	" "
1868	" 3 to " 7	Burlington	Janes	" "
1869	" 1 to " 6	Muscatine	Thompson	" "
1870	" 28 to October 3	Albia	Ames	" "
1871	October 4 to " 9	Mt. Pleasant	Ames	" "
1872	" 9 to " 14	Oskaloosa	Andrews	" "
1873	September 17 to September 21	Washington	Bowman	" "
1874	" 16 to " 21	Bloomfield	Haven	" "
1875	" 15 to " 21	Keokuk	Merrill	" "
1876	" 6 to " 12	Ottumwa	Wiley	Geo. N. Power.
1877	" 5 to " 10	Fairfield	Ames	" "
1878	" 4 to " 10	Brooklyn	Foster	" "
1879	" 3 to " 9	Burlington	Harns.	" "

ADDRESS OF THE BISHOPS.

NAME.	P. O. ADDRESS.	Entered the Ministry.	Ordained Bishop.
Levi Scott	Odessa, Del	1816	1852
Mathew Simpson	Philadelphia, Pa	1833	1852
Thomas Bowman	St. Louis, Mo.	1839	1872
William L. Harris	New York, N. Y.	1837	1872
Randolph S. Foster	Boston, Mass.	1837	1872
Isaac W. Wiley	Cincinnati, Ohio	1851	1872
Stephen M. Merrill	Chicago, Ills.	1846	1272
Edward G. Andrews	Des Moines, Iowa	1848	1272
Gilbert Haven	Atlanta, Georgia	1851	1872
Jesse T. Peck	Syracuse, N. Y.	1832	1872